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Cushion Tops, from 20 cts. up  
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Men's Cardigan Jackets, from 75 cts. up  
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Ladies' Fur-lined Cape, \$8.00, was \$12.00  
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A fine line of

## Cut Glass & Silverware

Call and be convinced that the assortment is complete and at right prices.

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WATCHMAKER, JEWELER, & OPTICIAN.

### Death at Rideau Hall

Lady Grenfell, Eldest Daughter of Earl Grey, a Victim to Typhoid.

Lady Victoria Grenfell, the eldest daughter of Earl Grey, died shortly before midnight Sunday night, of typhoid fever. Lady Victoria, who was in her 29th year, had been married since 1901 to Mr. Arthur M. Grenfell, of London, a member of the great banking firm and a nephew of General Lord Grenfell. Lady Victoria and her husband had been in Mexico, where Mr. Grenfell had large interests. About a month ago she came to Ottawa, and soon after developed typhoid. The disease ran its usual course, the position of the Vice-regal household being rendered the more distressing by numerous social and diplomatic engagements which had to be met during the time.

Lady Victoria's condition improved till recently, and on Friday and Saturday nights there at the Russell theatre. On Saturday the treacherous character of typhoid asserted itself, and the patient succumbed.

Her husband and all the members of the Vice-regal family were present when she died.

Her children, two boys and a girl, the oldest being barely five years of age, are in England.

### Increased Grant to Schools

A statement by Premier Whitney as to the intention of the Government with regard to the Public School Act of last session was recently made in the Legislature. The minimum salary clauses of that act have been the subject of much controversy, and amending legislation has been several times foreshadowed. The Government will not only largely increase the grants to the schools but the new legislation will wipe out the basis of distribution as adopted last year, and specially encourage the payment to teachers of salaries above \$300. It provides a new unconditional grant of \$15 yearly to each school section, and substantial appropriations for equipment and accommodation. In addition a grant of 40 per cent. will be made on the excess of all salaries above \$800 and up to \$600. In the aggregate the Government increases its grant of last year to the rural schools by \$202,000.

### The Cost of School Books

The Commission appointed by the Ontario Government to inquire into the "School Book Ring," and the price of school books, has reported, and the report proves beyond question the existence of the "ring." It shows that for many years the people of the province have been paying for school books from two to four times the amount they cost. The vicious thing about the plan was that the people were forced to buy these books. Rich and poor alike were bled for the purpose of increasing the bank accounts of certain individuals who "stood in" with the Government. If the late administration knew the facts it was criminally negligent. If it did not know the facts it was criminally blind. A member of the present Government says that as a result of the investigation the retail price of text books will be reduced by one-half. This will lighten the burdens on many shoulders, for the expenditure of the father of a family for school books was no small item, as thousands can testify. The commission, which was composed of Mr. John A. Cooper and Mr. Thos. W. Crothers, has done a good work, and has reported with commendable celerity.

Sir Edward Russell has stated that it is Germany's intention to fight Britain in five years or less.

Mrs. Russell Sage has given a million dollars to the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of New York.

Efforts are being made to bring over ten thousand emigrants from Great Britain for railway construction work.

Lord Strathcona, in an interview, said that the population of Canada at the end of the century would be 50,000,000.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite

"We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury, of Twinning, Mich. "It has also done the work for us in hard colds and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by Morton & Haigh.

### Wellman's Corners

The Quarterly meeting held in the church here on Sunday, was largely attended, considering the very unfavorable weather. The pastor, Rev. Balfour, preached a sermon of unusual power and great practical utility, taking his text from Exodus 14: 15, also 1 Cor. 9: 24. "So run that ye may obtain." The choir rendered suitable music and the fellowship meeting was one of great interest. At its close the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, and among the communicants were a large number of those whose names have but lately been added to the church membership.

The auxiliary of the W. M. S. on Friday evening of last week held a very successful social at the residence of Mr. Burrell Fanning. The program was a good one and the net proceeds amounted to \$5.00.

Mrs. Robert Totten will give an "At Home" on Friday, 22nd inst., for the benefit of the W.M.S. "Dinna forget." Come one and all and have a good time.

The funeral of the late Wm. Pollock, sr., took place here on Thursday, 29th inst. Rev. Mr. Smith, of Burnbrae, preached to a large congregation an impressive and thoughtful sermon, after which the remains were conveyed to the cemetery and interred beside those of his late wife.

Mrs. Willmot and the Misses Vandervoort, who have been visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity, have returned to their home in Brandon, Man. Mr. Fred Mitchell and bride, of Campbellford, were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sharpe. We heartily congratulate the newly married couple.

Mr. Hector Whitton, of Lindsay, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Whitton. Everyone is pleased to see his genial face again.

Mrs. Willis and her son, who have been visiting at Mr. Edward Todd's, have returned home.

Miss Biggs, of Belleville, who has been the guest of Mrs. Hoover, has returned home.

Miss Bertha Pauley is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Hitchen, in Campbellford.

The unwelcome, and too well known visitor, by the name of la grippe, has inflicted itself on every household in this vicinity.

The Foresters held a meeting here on Friday evening for the winding up of some unfinished business.

### Spring Brook.

The anniversary services held on Jan. 28th and 29th were a decided success. On Sunday the people were delighted to listen to Rev. W. G. Clarke, of Stirling, who preached morning and evening. On Monday a tea meeting was held. There had not been one in this place for three years so a large crowd was expected. The cooks were not disappointed, and table after table of viands disappeared but were soon replenished by more. After tea, which was served in the L.O.F. hall, the crowd repaired to the church. Addresses were delivered by Revs. D. Balfour, W. G. Clarke, A. L. Brown, and Mr. G. G. Thrasher, of Stirling, who gave some very fine points indeed. Mr. J. W. Pearce, of Marmora, occupied the chair. Although attending to Parliamentary duties in Toronto he very kindly came down to assist, and returned to the city next morning. On Tuesday evening a children's tea was served in the hall, the receipts of which amounted to \$14.55, making a total of \$125.

On Sunday Rev. D. S. Houck, of Bloomfield former pastor of this place, preached in the afternoon, choosing for his text "Our Father." The people were delighted to see him, and he shook hands around remembering even the little boys' names as he spoke to them.

Mr. Nathan Clarke, of Killarney, took charge of the evening service here last Sunday. He was met by a good sized audience.

The infant son of Mrs. John West was buried on Monday.

Mr. T. C. McConnell, who has been quite ill, is now convalescent.

### Neglected Colds Threaten Life

[From the Chicago Tribune.]

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary light cold will become severe if neglected, and a well-established ripe cold is to the germs of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by Morton & Haigh.

## Strength and Youth —A Safe Combination

In 4 1/2 years the Assets of The Sovereign Bank of Canada have increased to over 25 millions, and exceed the liabilities to the public by over 5 millions. Deposits have increased to over 15 millions.

Your account—large or small—is invited.

\$1.00 opens an account in our Savings Dept.

Interest paid 4 times a year.

## The Sovereign Bank of Canada.

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STIRLING BRANCH.

W. R. HOWSON, Manager.

## £ Sterling Hall

FEBRUARY

## Stock-taking Sale

We're through with our Great January Sale. You made it a great success, in spite of bad weather. Now we are busy stock-taking and have many odds and ends of Winter Stock still to sell at bargain prices. We're not afraid to cut the prices small, so don't fail to come here to spend your February small change for Big Values.

### Savings in Women's Underwear

Still a good bunch of Ladies' Vests and Drawers, regular 25 and 30 cent values, .. on sale at 19 cents

### Economy Cashmere Hose

A fine, all-wool Cashmere Hose, sizes 9, 9 1/2, 10. Its worth 35 cents a pair, on sale at 25 cents per pair

### Go Fast Fur Prices

We have still a few good things to offer in Men's and Women's Fur Coats and small Furs. We're having the right sort of weather for wearing them and the prices are close to the vanishing point.

- 3 Ladies' plain Astrachan Coats, sizes 34, 36, regular \$25.00, .. on sale, each \$15.00
- 1 fine quality Grey Lamb, regular Jacket style, size 34, value \$50.00, .. on sale at \$35.00
- 2 Near Seal, blended Mink Marmot trim, regular \$50.00, .. on sale at \$35.00
- 1 Men's Marmot-lined Coat, German Otter Collar, black Beaver shell, size 38, value \$35.00, on sale at \$25.00
- 1 Men's Rat-lined Coat, indigo dyed Beaver shell, Persian Lamb Collar, value \$60.00, on sale at \$40.00

### Miss Canada

This is a good new name for a good new shoe for ladies. Qualities and styles are of the best.

High lace Kid Shoes, "Miss Canada" at \$2.50

" " Patent Shoes, " at \$3.00

### Ladies' Neckwear

Already we are showing an overflow assortment of freshly new things in Silk and Washable Neckwear and Cuff Sets. Early selections are in order.

Prices ... 25, 35, 50, 75 cents

### Dress Fabrics for Spring

The great difficulty in getting dress-making done promptly suggests early buying as the best way to overcome that difficulty. Our stock will help you out, as many of our Spring lines are already in stock. Have a look anyway.

- NEW LIGHT GREY TWEEDS, WORSTED
- NEW LIGHT GREY TWEEDS, HOMESPUNS
- NEW TAFFETA CLOTHS, IN ALL COLORINGS
- NEW CHIFFON BROADCLOTHS, IN ALL COLORINGS
- NEW VOILES AND EOLIENNES, IN ALL COLORINGS
- NEW CREAM SERGES AT - 50 and 75 cents
- NEW CREPE-DE-CHENE AT - 50 and 75 cents

### Grocery Savings

Not often you have a chance to make a big saving on Tea. But to clear out two lines before stock-taking we offer

- 5 lbs. blended Ceylon and Japan Tea, regular \$1.25, for 99 cents
- 5 lbs. fine Ceylon Black Tea, regular \$1.75, for \$1.15

W. R. MATHER,

Direct Importer of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods and Retailer of Everything to wear for Everybody.

### For Sale

1 Horse, 1 rubber-tired Buggy, nearly new, 1 open Buggy, 1 Buckboard, 1 Truck Wagon, 1 Cutter, new, 1 pair Mule Ox Hoes, 2 sets single Harness, one nearly new, 1 set double plow Harness, 1 Cow, 6 Spray Pumps. For further particulars apply to MRS. H. S. FERGUSON.

### Farm for Sale.

First class Dairy farm, partly situated in the Village of Stirling. Particulars from

DR. POTTS, Stirling.



## NOTES AND COMMENTS

Prof. Blare discovered among other things on the Congo that a man had importance there according to his wealth and that when he lost his wealth through fault or misfortune he lost his importance. Natives say that there has been no change in this respect since the white man came, but so far back as tradition runs the wealthy have been arrogant and the poor servile, cringing and scheming. In short, instead of the power of wealth being one of the vices of civilization it is at its worst among primitive people.

In proportion as civilization increases the rich have greater actual power but the poor have greater independence of thought. One of our millionaires may buy luxuries far beyond the imagination of the richest man in a Congo village, but he may hold a much lower place in popular estimation and be treated personally with much less respect than a man who has not accumulated a hundred dollars. Happiness is less dependent upon wealth in the richest cities of the world than in the primitive forest, because there is little real injury that the rich man could inflict upon the poorer even if he were so disposed. The law is above all and public opinion is as powerful as the law. Among the savages there is no law but the law of power, and wealth is both the source and the mark of power.

The mind of the native of the Congo is so consumed by greed that he is incapable of conceiving any other motive for an action. It is only among civilized people that an unselfish action can be understood. The attitude of the Bantu or native of the Congo towards missionaries and all others who try to make him more comfortable or wiser or better is one of suspicion. He is sure that his benefactors are making more out of him than they are giving him, because he cannot imagine any other reason for their doing anything. He will lie to a white man or steal from him without compunction because of his underlying feeling that the white man is getting the best of him in any case.

The faults of the Bantu are not due to his race. The American negro who had come into contact with civilization and Christianity showed himself in the days following the breakup of slavery to be capable in many cases of the highest loyalty and unselfishness. It is in the wilderness, remote from the influences of civilization, that the love of gold, the power of gold, the arrogance of gold, and servile submission to the power of gold reach their maximum.

Coalite is imitating coal and is reputed to excel the genuine article. By a newly discovered process the experts can produce from coal of the cheapest quality this substance of coalite. This coalite produces 20 per cent. more heat than coal. So little carbon is emitted that it can be burned in a white stove without discoloring. So little oxygen is required to support its combustion that the long draft is unnecessary, and the tall chimney is made a thing of the past. It is further declared that the gas produced is stronger, purer, and less costly than that to which we have been accustomed. Finally, it is said, that the by-products of the manufacture of coalite can be sold for more than the original price of the coal, so that coalite costs less than nothing to produce. It only coalite were edible as well, the goal of human happiness surely would be looming up in sight.

### CRICKET FIGHTS IN CHINA.

Combatants Carefully Trained and Worth Hundreds of Dollars.

A. E. Parker has just returned from a trip to San-hui, a large walled city in Kwangtung Province, and while there visited the cockhouse, where he saw six or seven earthenware bowls of fighting crickets.

He was much amused at the description of the methods of stabling and dieting these insects. During the day the female and male crickets are separated, but as soon as night falls they are mated. Their diet consists of water, boiled rice, and a little ginseng, the latter to give them stamina.

In matching the insects to fight they are weighed, and a lightweight would not be pitted against a well-weighted. The insects are spurred on to combat with a rice pike, which is treated naturally rouses their anger.

The belief that crickets are distinguished by pieces of colored wool is a fallacy. They are recognized by their owners as we recognize our canine pets. In a contest the first cricket to run away is adjudged the loser.

The officer in charge of the guardhouse mentioned that a dispute which had arisen over a cricket contest three years ago had yet to be settled, each party holding that the other man's cricket was run away first.

Some of these crickets are indeed worth many times their weight in gold, several hundred dollars being sometimes paid for a real champion.—South China Post.

### NOT TRUE.

Alice.—That Mr. Gilman prolonged his call on you last night till after twelve o'clock, I understand.

Maud.—Yes, and people have all ways told me that he is easy-going.

## ODDITIES OF BIRD WORLD

### MYSTERY OF THE ILL-OMENED DEVIL BIRD OF CEYLON.

A Ventriloquist in a Volcano—Parson Bird's Reply to an Orator.

"In the bird world," said a naturalist who has travelled all over the globe, "one is continually running across remarkable looking birds or birds with curious habits."

"One of the most mysterious of birds is the devil bird of Ceylon. The natives call it the ulana and regard it with superstitious horror; for they believe that its scream heard at night presages misfortune, and they offer sacrifices to avert approaching disaster."

"While many people have heard its cry, no one has had the good, or bad, fortune to kill or capture one. Those who have heard it say that its ordinary note is a magnificent, clear shrill like that of a human being, which can be heard at a great distance and has a fine effect in the silence of the closing night."

"But the sounds which have earned for it its bad name are indescribable and never to be heard without shuddering. It has been compared to the howling of a demon, whose screams were being stopped by being strangled. Scientists have never secured a specimen of this bird, only fleeting glimpses of it being had, and these lead to the belief that it is a species of owl."

"For many years naturalists have endeavored to find a mysterious bird which made its home in the solitudes surrounding the volcano of Soufriere on St. Vincent, in the West Indies. The natives had many superstitions connected with it, one being that any one seeing the bird would surely die, and as a result,

THEY AVOIDED ITS HAUNTS, and it long remained the 'invisible, mysterious bird with the heavenly song.' The mystery was finally dissipated in 1878, when Frederick A. Ober made an expedition to that volcano and after considerable difficulty and danger from big snakes managed to secure several specimens. It developed that the bird was a ventriloquist, which explains why its song would often be heard and still the bird not be seen in the spot where the sound seemed to proceed."

"One of the most curious birds of the South Seas is the pue honeyeater. Its peculiarities of plumage and of gesture have gained for it the popular name of parson bird. It is an excellent mimic, and can be taught to repeat short sentences with extraordinary clearness and also to whistle short songs quite as well as a parrot."

The late Sir Walter Buller was once addressing a large meeting of natives in New Zealand on a matter of considerable political importance when, immediately on the conclusion of the speech and before the old chief to whom the arguments were chiefly addressed had time to reply, a honeyeater, whose netted cage hung to a rafter overhead, responded in a clear, emphatic way: 'Tio' (false).

"The circumstance naturally caused much amusement among his hearers and quite upset the gravity of the venerable old chief."

"Friend," said he, laughing, "your arguments are very good, but my mokai is wise bird, and he is not yet convinced."

"In the West Indies is found a curious bird, known locally as the trembleur. It feeds on the coffee berries, and as it hops from twig to twig it does not forget to stop every few seconds and shake its wings and jerk its tail in a most comical manner. A hop, a quiver of wings and tail, a skip, with accompanying shake all over; a jump, with a convulsive shake, quivering and spasmodic twitching of head, wings, and tail, and once proclaim

### THE APTNESS OF ITS NAME.

When several of them meet the birds go through the most laughable series of bows, quivering of wings and tail vibrations.

"Occasionally scientists make mistakes in their classification. One of the most typical examples of such is found in the case of a New Zealand bird."

"This bird was a honeyeater and a hunter of flowers. Now in the early summer it visited most frequently the flowers of the native flax and later in the year fed chiefly on the fuchsia. The pollen of the former is red and of the latter blue."

"Hence in the early summer the bird appeared with a red head and was named the red headed honeyeater. But when later in the year it went to the fuchsia its head was stained blue, and it was called the blue headed honeyeater. For a long time this bird was thought to be two distinct species and only recently was it found that the real color of the head was blackish brown."

"Some birds are chiefly remarkable for the nests they make. The largest bird's nest is that made by the Australian jungle fowl. This bird collects a quantity of decaying vegetable matter and builds with it mounds 15 feet in height and from 125 to 150 feet in circumference. The eggs are laid in a circle nine or twelve inches apart and buried more or less in the arm's depth with the large end upward."

"The Australian brush turkeys, working in colonies, build pyramidal nests even larger. One of these nests on being removed filled seven carts and its total weight was five tons."

"The most ingenious of nests is made by the Republican. This little bird of India, which is about the size of a sparrow, lives in numerous families, that unite in forming immense colonies. Their dwellings have the appearance of a circular framework surrounding the trunk of some large tree and at a distance resemble great roofs attached to the trees. I once counted as many as 500 cells, which indicated that it was

### INHABITED BY 600 BIRDS.

These nests are so heavy that many men and a large wagon were required to get one down intact and carry it away."

"Certain few birds are put to curious uses. In the northern part of South America the natives often avail themselves of the services of a species of crane to care for their poultry, and also

use it in place of a dog to herd their domestic animals. This remarkable bird, which the Indians call yakamik and the ornithologists Pospia crepitans, is found in a wild state in the great forests that lie between the northern coasts of South America and the Amazon.

"Their usual gait is a slow and stately march, but they often themselves from time to time by leaping up in the air, executing eccentric and fancy waltzes and striking absurd attitudes. When alarmed they utter the peculiar cry which has obtained for them the name of trumpeter."

"The yakamiks are very readily tamed and prove valuable servants to the Indians. They may be trusted with the care of a flock of sheep or domestic fowls, and every morning will drive the ducks and poultry to their feeding places and, carefully collecting any stragglers, bring them safely home at night."

"The natives of the Keeling Islands, in the South Sea, make a rather remarkable use of the brigit bird. When captured young this bird is easily trained to act as a decoy for others of its kind."

"A hunter, wishing to shoot some of the birds, throws out within gunshot on the surface of the water a piece of attractive bait upon which the tame frigate swoops down, most calculatingly, time after time. Several of its hungry brethren, always hanging about, soon make their appearance to struggle for a share. The decoy-soars out of range, while the unfortunate dupe falls a victim to the shotgun."

### AN ANGRY AMBASSADOR.

Lord Carlisle's Reception by the Czar in 1864.

A journey from England to Moscow in the seventeenth century was a difficult undertaking. Lord Carlisle, who was sent as an ambassador, and Andrew Marvell, the poet, scholar, and friend of Milton, who acted as his secretary, made the journey in 1664. Their experience is described by Mr. Birrell in his biography of Marvell.

It was one of Marvell's many duties to remonstrate with the authorities for their cruel and disrespectful indifference. He did so with great freedom, but with no effect, and at last the ambassador was obliged to hire two hundred sledges at the King's expense. He sent on ahead, following with one hundred and forty on January 15, 1664. It was an intensely cold journey, and the accommodation was nil, with one happy exception, proved quite infamous. On February 3rd Lord Carlisle and his cortege found themselves five versts from Moscow. February 5th was fixed for the entry into the city in all their glory. They were ready on the morning of that day, awaiting the arrival of the Tsar's emissaries, but they never came. Lord Carlisle had sent his cooks on to Moscow to prepare the dinner he expected to eat in his city quarters.

Nightfall approached, and it was not till half an hour before night that the belated messengers arrived, full of excuses. The ambassador was hungry, cold and furious, nor did his anger abate when told he was not to be allowed to enter Moscow that night, as the Tsar and his ladies were very anxious to enjoy the spectacle. The return of the cooks from Moscow and the preparation of dinner was the mitigation, but no cure for wounded pride; and Lord Carlisle, calling Marvell to his side, and with his assistance, concocted a letter in Latin to the Tsar, complaining bitterly of their ill treatment, and going so far as to assert that had anything of the kind happened in England to a foreign ambassador, the King of England would never have rested until the offence had been atoned for with the blood of the criminals.

When, some forty years afterward, Peter the Great asked Queen Anne to chop off the heads of the rude men who had arrested his ambassador for debt, he had, perhaps, Marvell's letter before him.

UNCLE JOE'S PHILOSOPHY.

A wummun's crownin' glory ain't allus her hair—it may be somebody else's. Some men swear off drinkin' when they are so full they can't hold no more. Don't be never won a fair lady no more than I ever did a corner in wheat. Don't be too generous with your advice; yew may need some of it yewself later on.

They's no use tryin' to mew a hornet face low face; he don't dew bizzin' that way. They's few kinds uv a "man with a hoe"; he who uses it an' he who leans on it.

In the mad race for fame man furtigs that he is but a boss with the manners uv the long-eared verily.

Don't worry about what people are goin' to say; rather consarn yewself about what yew'd say if yew wuz in their places.

It's a good thing to hev a high aim, but don't pint the muzzle uv the gun as high as yew own nose.

The man who hessitates is lost, but the wummun who is waitin' for the proposal sees how it that he finds himself agin'.

Yew sick yewr nose in other people's affairs yew must expect twer piece uv cuppliancy on it sooner or later.

They would be a hull lot more uv smilin' in the world if the teeth drop wuz better.

When a stranger begins tellin' yew his family history yew kin make uv yewr mind 'ain't wuth listenin' to.

Remember that we women are all vain, more or less, but that yew make make a queer mistake if yew think yew need to be one yew 'em.

It's a poor rule that won't work both ways—either on a boy's hand or the seat uv his pants.

Yew can't tell by the looks uv a tud how he kin swell up of he hez occasion to.

Yew've got tur summer an' winter with a pussion afore yew know him, an' then he may surprise yew in the spring. Just becom' wot in a loose, soiled, water be no sign his goin' tur grow up tur be an honest milkman.

The great trouble with a free thinker is that he thinks any other free thinker ain't thinkin' right, unless he thinks just the way he thinks himself.

If rich people wuz on'y fined tur excedin' the speed limit in fast livin' they'd be in fast automobiles the world would be bet' down tur a purty fair pace.

## LEFT HANDED WRITERS

### NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD NOT USE BOTH HANDS.

The Day May Come When Children Will Be Educated to Use Them — Dexterity Acquired.

Left-handed writers are not uncommon. Left-handed baseball players are familiar on every diamond; piano players use the left hand with as much ease as the right and use them simultaneously. But the left hand is omitted from the scheme of education, its education has been discouraged by school teachers, and correspondence between the two sides of the body, which is familiar to all physiologists. It is the same quality that makes it difficult—and to some persons impossible—to pat the stomach with one hand while one strokes the face with the other. The mind needs much training before it can direct two different motions of similar organs at one and the same time. Students of the piano are obliged to learn to make the hands and fingers move independently, and the necessity for learning this is one of the things that makes it so difficult for an adult person to become

### CHILDREN LEARN.

In some schools they are teaching to draw on the blackboard with both hands. A pair of circles drawn simultaneously is the first exercise. It is easy of accomplishment. It is, in fact, easier to draw two such circles, one with each hand, than to draw one circle with the left hand. This is due to a sort of interlocking of the nervous switches. A correspondence between the muscles and the nerves of the two sides of the body, which is familiar to all physiologists. It is the same quality that makes it difficult—and to some persons impossible—to pat the stomach with one hand while one strokes the face with the other. The mind needs much training before it can direct two different motions of similar organs at one and the same time. Students of the piano are obliged to learn to make the hands and fingers move independently, and the necessity for learning this is one of the things that makes it so difficult for an adult person to become

### A GOOD PLAYER.

But to perform precisely similar acts with the two hands is easy. A child soon learns to draw two simultaneous circles. The next step is to draw other curved lines and to blend these into patterns. It is astonishing how quickly a child learns to draw complex designs, perfectly balanced, using both hands.

A much more difficult step is to teach the use of the left hand alone.

The exercise of the left hand is valuable; any man or woman may some day find it essential, for an accident may put the right hand out of business, temporarily or permanently, and then the left hand has been trained as well as the right. It can take up the pen, the pencil, the tool or the brush, and there need be no pause in the work, such as is necessary if the left hand must be educated from the beginning.

### HOW TO MANAGE A MAN.

What a Woman Should do to Retain Her Influence and Make It Felt.

A woman has great influence over a man, even if his love has somewhat waned. Any woman with a fair amount of brains and a little "tact" can keep her husband well in "low." Don't be too demonstrative in your manner, that is enough to tire or bore him. Keep the showing of your affection for special occasions, either when he is particularly tired or downhearted. The unexpected show of affection, or some attention will go a long way toward smoothing your road. Find out his likes and dislikes, and act accordingly. Don't expect a tired man to pet and humor you all the time; you have no more right to expect it of him than he of you. As men cease more or less to be gentlemen after the honeymoon is over, it is not because they are getting tired of you, and don't upbraid him. Don't rag and complain all the time, but be as cheerful as you can, especially when he comes home tired, and when trouble comes share it with as cheery a disposition as possible. If your husband or children do something you don't like, find out the reason before you lose your temper; there may have been a very good reason for acting as they did. When he needs a scolding give it to him as you would a child and be done with it.

Don't have a bad word for all your women friends; get the reputation of saying pleasant things about people. If there is nothing kind to be said keep silent.

Take an interest in things which interest him, and be a good companion, so good that he will miss you if you are away.

If your husband is a domestic man, for pity's sake remain at home evenings with him, and don't insist upon keeping up too many social duties. Remember that we women are all vain, more or less, but that yew make make a queer mistake if yew think yew need to be one yew 'em.

Many women, especially those of moderate means, let themselves become careless and slovenly when at home. They do not mind a loose, soiled, water be no sign his goin' tur grow up tur be an honest milkman.

The great trouble with a free thinker is that he thinks any other free thinker ain't thinkin' right, unless he thinks just the way he thinks himself.

If rich people wuz on'y fined tur excedin' the speed limit in fast livin' they'd be in fast automobiles the world would be bet' down tur a purty fair pace.

## THE QUEEREST SCHOOLS

### EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS OF MANY KINDS.

School for Nursemaids to be Opened in London—Lessons for Grave-Diggers.

There are some very strange educational establishments open at the present day. Miss Alice Boulette and Mr. Wamaker opened a school for cashing money a little time ago. According to a prospectus issued by them, pupils, who must be under fourteen years of age, are taught arithmetic in everyday use, book-keeping, penmanship, and the quick handling and counting of money. Many of the boys who have attended the school are now earning good wages as cashiers in some of the largest stores in New York and Chicago.

It is proposed to open in London a school for nursemaids, where girls over sixteen years of age may be given lessons in the management of infants, preparing of children's food, plain sewing, laundry work, and last, the kindergarten system of education. Such an institution already exists in Berlin. It was founded two years ago by a clergyman, and is in connection with a foundling hospital. The growing girls of this establishment are taught to become

### COMPETENT HOUSEMAIDS.

and positions are found for them in the houses of the best families in Germany. Russia possesses a school for policemen, where young men are trained for the force. The school is situated in St. Petersburg, and in a museum connected thereto, the pupils make themselves familiar with jemmes, drive shafts, and other tools used by professional thieves. A particular branch of the school is the Russian passport system, which every budding policeman has to study in detail.

A remarkable educational establishment is the school for judges opened recently in Paris. Here male-belle-trials are held by the pupils under the supervision of well-known attorneys. The whole procedure, from the issuing of a warrant for arrest to the summing up and the judge's verdict, is carried through in a businesslike manner.

At Monte Carlo there is a school of croquet. It is held during the summer months in the clubhouse of the Casino Pigeons and the Salle d'Esime, in the Casino building. Here are tables similar to those in the Casino gaming-room, and each pupil in turn takes the role of croquetier, while others personate players and stake money over the table. At a given instant the croquetier must calculate and

### PAY OUT THE WINNING STAKES.

There are usually between forty and fifty pupils in this school, and a six months' course is generally sufficient to turn them into finished croquetiers.

A very odd educational establishment is the school for grave-diggers in Belgium. It was founded by the directors of the Great Evere Cemetery, and all candidates for posts as sextons in Belgium must undergo training in the school and pass an examination.

There are several schools of housewifery in England, the principal of which is connected with the National Training School of Cookery in London. Every branch of household management is taught at this school, the keeping of accounts, the principles of domestic sanitation, and a certain amount of sick training being included.

### DON'T SEEK EASY JOBS.

If You Are After Soft Snaps You Travel in Wrong Direction.

A great many people drift through life without purpose or effort. They float along the line of least resistance, avoiding all obstacles and shrinking from anything that looks like hard work. Their great desire is to get "an easy job." They do not concern themselves at all as to whether or not there is any prospect of advancement in it. They have neither plan, nor programme, nor ambition to guide them. They simply live for to-day, and literally "take no thought for the morrow."

This happy-go-lucky policy can lead to but one thing—failure.

If you are working according to an intelligent plan, if you are trying to make everything you do a means of advancement to the goal you have in view, go ahead, for you are moving in the right direction and will reach your goal.

But if you are looking for an easy job, or running down from hard work, if you are too listless to make an intelligent plan of action, and follow it you are not moving in the right direction.

### VIGOROUS THINKING.

Adopt Hobby of Thinking and You'll Prolong Your Life.

Nothing reacts so favorably upon the vigor of the body as a strong, vigorous, mental exercise. Nothing else will take the place of clear, forcible thinking. It is a perpetual tonic. Your brains, and bodily strength will follow. It is well known that great thinkers are longer lived, as a rule, than the average of men.

A celebrated English physician says that to attain a long life, the brain must always be active when not asleep, and he lays great stress upon the necessity of everybody having a hobby outside of the vocation which gives him a living. This hobby must be one in which he takes real delight, one which will exercise pleasantly and agreeably, without unduly taxing his mental faculties.

Nothing will destroy itself quicker than an idle brain. If there is anybody in this world to be pitied, it is the one who thinks he has nothing to do; no motive to impel him out of himself; no ambition which will exercise his brain, and his ingenuity, and call out his resourcefulness or exercise his energies.

"The continued application of whiskey is said to be a cure for baldness; but most men are inclined to apply the remedy a few inches south of the afflicted spot."

## FRESH AIR SIMPLE CURE

### NEW YORK DOCTORS DISCUSS THIS REMEDY.

Cures Insanity, Incurable, Tuberculosis and Many Other Dangerous Diseases.

Fresh air as a panacea was discussed the other night in the Academy of Medicine, by four of New York's leading physicians.

Among the diseases which fresh air was said to cure are insanity, anaemia, delirium, pneumonia, typhoid and all other fevers, tuberculosis of the bone as well as of the lungs, and almost every other classed ailment. Only in cases where subnormal temperatures are a feature is the open air treatment questioned.

### FRESH AIR AND SIMPLE TONICS.

Dr. William S. Stone, describing the open air treatment of septicemia in lying-in hospitals, said that with the aid of the simple tonic, cures had been effected by the exposure of the patient to the open air.

Dr. W. Gilman Thompson devoted his attention to contrasting "cooked" with "uncooked" air.

A mania seems to exist for the so-called "closed" ventilation system in the hospitals of New York, he began. "The air is heated to 40 degrees and then transmitted through metal pipes to wards. But if a window is opened in a single ward the whole system is put out of commission. It follows naturally that the window is never opened."

### HEATED AIR WON'T DO.

"Heated air is not fresh air, but until it is known that fresh air is more vital to our well-being than fresh food we must expect to see continued this theory that any kind of air, so long as it is heated to 70 degrees is what ward patients need."

Dr. William Mahon, superintendent of Manhattan State hospital on Ward's Island, who has been in charge of the tent colonies in which insane patients have been quartered in increasing numbers since 1901, said:

"The escape from bars and bolts and the absolute freedom of the open air have done much for the patients. Although the precautions are no greater than are taken in the wards, and while the proximity of the river would seem to provide a temptation, in five years only one casualty has occurred."

"Sleeplessness seldom lasts for more than a week in the most obstinate cases."

"The demand for larger accommodations in the outdoor camps is increasing all the time."

### ODD DOWRIES FOR BRIDES.

One Received Her Weight in Soap, Another Her Weight in Chocolate.

A rather valuable wife in the present state of the soap trade must be the lady whom M. Le Blanc, a Parisian, has just married. The fair bride, who was the daughter of a hair-dresser in a large way of business, not only received from her father a handsome dot in money, but her own weight in the best toilet soap. As she weighed clear on 140 pounds, the couple will possess sufficient soap to last them for some years to come, says London Tit-Bits.

When asked by his prospective father-in-law, a flourishing West End tobaccoist, to name the present he would like to receive on his wedding day the young man suggested a few boxes of cigars as being of more use than the usual gifts presented on such occasions. "Very well, you shall have my daughter's weight in cigars," said the other. He was as good as his word. On the day before that fixed for the ceremony he had the bride weighed, and that same evening forwarded to his future son-in-law some dozens of boxes of cigars, weighing in the aggregate 128 pounds.

Miss Marie Brie, the niece of a Marcellite confectioner, received from her uncle an equally eccentric gift in the form of her own weight in chocolate. Perhaps the worthy patissier had in mind when making the present the custom which prevails in Peru. There on the marriage morn the bride is accurately weighed, and after the wedding the bridegroom is presented by his wife's relatives with her weight in sugar.

A Yorkshire coal merchant's present to his daughter on her marriage was to be regulated by her weight, for every pound of which she was to be repaid of a ton of best Westmorland. His intention, which was communicated to her on the day she became engaged, stirred her, as she was a young woman of most frugal mind, to emulate the fat women of the fairs, so that during the six months her engagement lasted her value went up ten tons. Doubtless she would have made further inroads into her father's store had not the worthy merchant hurriedly married her off at a loss of only 172 tons.

The father of a girl living in the town of Konigsberg offered to present any girl who should become a fortune teller with her weight in silver currency. As the girl was well favored and of a build which, although not exceptionally stout, promised an amount ample to make a good start in business, more than one claimant appeared.

The most eligible was at last selected, and the wedding duly solemnized. Then came the most important function—the weighing of the bride, who to her husband's delight was found to weigh 155 pounds, or 31,000 kronen, an equivalent to £325 10s.

So much did he admire stout men that Mr. Ball, a tradesman who prospered exceedingly at Brighton under the Regency, promised his only daughter that her dowry should consist of the equivalent in gold to the excess of her husband's bodily weight over hers. She at once threw over her fiancé, a mere atom of a man, and after due consideration made so wise a choice that, although she herself weighed upward of 12 stone, she found herself on her marriage morn richer by no less than 1,200 guineas.



RHEUMATIC AGONY.

Nothing Reached the Root of the Trouble Until Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Were Used.

"I suffered almost untold agony from rheumatism. For several weary months I was confined to bed. I had the best of medical treatment, but nothing seemed to reach the root of the disease until I used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These have completely restored my health." This strong emphatic statement is made by Mrs. Edna Morrill, of Woodstock, N. S., a lady who had practically been given up as incurable by doctors. She further says: "I suffered for over two years and rheumatism seemed to be firmly implanted in my system. At the outset I was able to attend to my household duties, but at night I suffered the greatest pain. I at once began to take medicine, but my condition actually grew worse. I was attended by a skillful doctor, but was ultimately forced to remain in bed, suffering untold agony with every movement. Finally the doctors told me the trouble was incurable. One day I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I decided to do so. Presently the pains were not so severe, and I began to feel myself gaining. Shortly after I was able to get about, and in less than three months I was perfectly well. For this condition my thanks are gratefully due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured Mrs. Morrill by driving the rheumatic poison out of her blood. They actually make new blood. They don't act on the bowels. They don't bother with mere symptoms. They go right to the root of the trouble in the blood. That is why they have cured the worst cases of anemia (bloodlessness) headaches and backaches, kidney trouble, indigestion, neuritis, nervousness and the special ailments of girls and women whose blood supply becomes weak, scanty or irregular. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at \$6 a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

COPPER HARD AS STEEL.

St. Louis Youth Discovers a Long-Lost Art.

John Berlien, the St. Louis youth who announced last week that he had discovered the secret of tempering copper to the hardness of steel has suddenly found himself famous. Investment companies, hardware dealers and capitalists all over the country have wired him, offering him big sums for the secret.

Berlien says he has refused to negotiate with any of them, because he hopes to get the \$100,000 that he has been told has been offered by the Government to the first man who could harden copper.

Scientists have tried long to discover the process for hardening copper. Owing to the fact that it will not rust, it would make ideal tools and also armor plates for battleships.

FELL DOWN FLIGHT OF STEPS

PROVED ZAM-BUK BEST IN THREE DIFFERENT EMERGENCIES.

One of the most valuable points about Zam-Buk, the herbal balm, is the variety of uses to which it can be applied.

Mrs. A. Livernols, of 131 Sydenham St., Toronto, says: "I have used Zam-Buk for colds on the chest and found when rubbed well in it gave almost instant relief to the 'tightness' and 'stiffness.' One day I slipped when descending the stairs and fell to the bottom. My right arm was terribly dislocated and swollen and became quite stiff. As I still had a supply of Zam-Buk I rubbed some on the bruised limb and it was really surprising how quickly it removed the discoloration, cured the stiffness, and restored the arm to its proper form. Since that time I have had occasion to use Zam-Buk for rheumatism, and I have found it equally good."

Zam-Buk is so uniformly good because it is composed of the finest herbs, balms, essences, and juices known to medical science, compounded and refined in a special and peculiar way. It has such high germ-killing power that it is unequalled as an antiseptic. Its healing virtue is very great and it is a household balm. Zam-Buk is absolutely unique. It is a sure cure for eczema, itch, blood poison, ulcers, chronic sores, ringworm, children's rashes, spots, etc. It also cures cuts, burns, bruises, chapped hands, enlarged veins, piles, and all disordered or injured conditions of the skin and subcutaneous tissues. All drug stores and stores sell at 50c a box, or post free from the Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price. 6 boxes sent for \$2.50. Send one cent for daily trial box.

COULDN'T SMELL IT.

"Jane, don't you think that sweet heart of yours is a prearrangement?" "I've been suspecting it, mum; but he always uses a breath perfume an' I can't be sure."

ONE ADVANTAGE.

I much prefer the man who speaks from manuscript—don't you? For though he may be windy, yet he knows when he is through.

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS**

FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES

BRANDY, WHISKY, & ALL LIQUORS

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TO TORTURE OR DEATH.

Russian Refugees Sent Back to Their Enemies.

The London Chronicle tells of an exceedingly painful scene which recently marked the sifting of the Grimby Immigration Board an aggravated case of many that make a commentary on the conditions of life in Russia.

One family of Russian fugitives were Jews, named Shitka—a cabinet maker, his wife, a son of ten and two daughters—who came from the province of Minsk, and wished to join a son and brother in Glasgow. But the medical officer found them all to be in a pitifully debilitated condition.

The man had bronchitis and general weakness; the boy was minus one eye and suffered from trachoma, and one daughter was also afflicted with trachoma.

Just before being asked to retire the father fell down and elapsed Dr. Grange, secretary to the board, around the legs and begged piteously to be allowed to stay, crying out that to send him back to Russia would be to send him to torture or death. The children added their cries and tears to those of their unhappy parents. Observers of the scene were visibly affected.

Questions drew from the man an admission that revolutionary meetings had been held at his house in Minsk. His home, he said, had been ruined in consequence, and his life was now at stake.

When the family's pleadings had been still the court considered the pathetic, if difficult, problem before it. Then Mr. Smith, the supervising Magistrate, who presided, announced that although the case had many sad features, they felt there was no alternative but to refuse the family leave to land. The man's health was extremely bad, and with two children afflicted as those were it should be unsafe to admit them.

When the news was interpreted the whole family broke down, the man declaring that all were doomed.

A MOTHER'S PRIDE.

A mother's greatest pleasure is in seeing her little ones bright, playful and healthy. The well child is a blessing to the home, but the sick child is a regular little tyrant. A few doses of Baby's Own Tablets will make the sickly child well, or an occasional dose will prevent sickness. There is nothing to equal these Tablets as a cure for colic, stomach and bowel troubles. They make teething easy, break up colds, expel worms and cure simple fevers. Baby's Own Tablets are sold under the guarantee of a government analyst not to contain one particle of opiate—they never do harm—always good. Mrs. G. M. Kemp, Carleton Place, Ont., says: "I have given Baby's Own Tablets to my little one since he was a week old, and have found them a splendid medicine. At eleven months he weighed over twenty-six pounds." The Tablets are sold by druggists or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

BRAIN IN YOUR THROAT.

Subservient to Genuine Brain But Does Thinking for Itself.

Did you know that the throat has a brain of its own? Few people are aware of it, but it is a fact. There is a small ganglia which exercises direct control of the muscles of the throat, and acts as its brain. Of course, it is subservient to the genuine brain, but at the same time does a good deal of independent thinking for itself. It is very timid and suspicious of any strange objects that come near the throat.

For this reason it is very difficult for a physician to operate on the throat. Before anything can be done in this direction it is necessary for the operator to gain the confidence of the little brain that dominates it. It frequently takes weeks before this confidence can be secured, and until it is secured it is impossible to perform any operation.

Now to the man who attempts rough treatment to the throat before gaining the little brain's confidence. His operations will be resisted with violent paroxysms, first of the throat, then of the diaphragm, and, if the operator still persists, the patient will be thrown into convulsions. Still more curious is the fact that this little brain has a memory, and if once frightened in this way it is almost impossible to ever gain the confidence, no matter how gentle the operator may be.

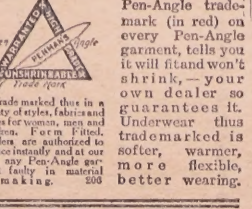
BREAD THAT IS TWO YEARS OLD.

The Hungarian Has a Year's Supply on the Shelves.

In Hungary they do not eat fresh bread. Whether it is because the Hungarians believe in hygiene more than their European brothers and sisters, or not has never been told, but the Magyar is partial to stale bread, and the staler the better. His "roszkonyer," or ordinary black bread, as it is called by the very large majority of the Magyar population, is carefully laid away on a shelf and dug out for consumption months and months after it has come out of the great ovens. If the huge loaf, weighing something like five pounds and for which the Hungarian pays six or seven kreutzer, equivalent to about three or four cents in our money, has been hidden away for two years it is considered all the better. The Hungarian never thinks of where the bread is to come from to-morrow. He thinks of where it is to come from next year, for he has at least a year's supply on the shelves. The Hungarian bakes his bread 365 days ahead of time. Her Wednesday baking is for the Wednesday of a year to come; her Thursday baking for a Thursday of a year to come.

The immigrants arriving in America from Hungary bring over many of these immense loaves. They are cumbersome affairs and of ripe old age. The loaf weighs a trifle under five pounds and is so hard that to drop it on your feet would be to smash a toe or two. A honest strike into the loaf is hard to remove, and yet the loaf is considered a great delicacy by the Hungarians, who look upon it with the same pride that the German peasant looks upon his pumpernickel.

The Mark That Tells



BETTER UNDERWEAR

SWEETENING ASSERTIONS.

Father: "Did you notice how gracefully I swept into the room at the party last night?"

Mother: "Yes, but when it comes to sweeping out a room she's not much use."

A BROAD STATEMENT.

Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid will cure any case of Piles.

This statement is made without any qualifications. It is in the form of a tablet. It is the only pile remedy used internally.

It is impossible to cure an established case of Piles with ointments, suppositories, injections or outward appliances. A \$1,000 guarantee with every package of Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid. \$1.00, all dealers, or The Wilson-Fyle Co., Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont.

HOLLOW GLASS BRICKS.

The demand for hollow bricks and building blocks for house construction has induced glass manufacturers to put hollow glass bricks on the market, and they promise to be used extensively for novel and artistic effects. The first glass bricks, being solid, proved a failure on account of their cost, but the hollow glass bricks can be made at much less expense. They are lighter and stronger than clay bricks and are such excellent nonconductors that walls built of them are proof against dampness, summer heat and cold. The bricks are sealed hermetically when hot and are placed in walls with a colorless mortar made of special glass. The bonding strength of the glass mortar is almost as great as the bricks themselves.

Constitution—"Now, Mr. Wunnout, I wish you'd do your best to get my boy a good Government position." M. P.—"Well, what can your son do?" Constitution—"What can he do? Great Scott, man, if he could do anything I wouldn't be bothering you!"

The never failing medicine, Holloway's Corn Cure, removes all kinds of corns, warts, etc., even the most difficult to remove cannot withstand this wonderful remedy.

And when you hear a man boast of his ancestors it's a safe bet that his descendants will have no occasion to boast of theirs.

A flatter of importance to all those who are run down and debilitated is the fact that "Perforin" is the best tonic ever compounded. It gives strength and builds up the system.

Judge—"And your wife aimed at and struck your head with a cup?" Witness—"Yes, sir." Judge—"Well, all I have to say is that you ought to be very proud of her."

If you are a sufferer from colds get a bottle of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup and test its qualities. It will be found that no praise bestowed on it is too high. It does all that is claimed for it, and does it thoroughly. Do not take any substitute for Bickie's Syrup, because it is the best, having stood the test of years. All the best dealers sell it.

Mrs. Madison—"How do you like your new neighbors?" Mrs. Dyer—"I don't know. I haven't tried to borrow anything yet."

Like little volcanoes of disease, the eruptions of eczema pour out discharges. But blood causes the trouble. The local remedy is Weaver's Ointment, and Weaver's Syrup will drive the poison from the blood.

VERY LIKELY.

"I can't understand how a man can commit suicide for love."

"It happens frequently."

"Well, perhaps so, but if I did it, I should regret it all my life."

Your Doctor

Can cure your Cough or Cold, no question about that, but why go to all the trouble and inconvenience of looking him up, and then of having him prescribe a drug, when you can see into any drug store in Canada and obtain a bottle of SHILOH'S CURE for a quarter.

Why pay two to five dollars when a twenty-five cent bottle of SHILOH will cure you as quickly?

Why not do as hundreds of thousands of Canadians have done for the past thirty-four years: let SHILOH be your doctor whenever a Cough or Cold appears.

SHILOH will cure you, and all druggists back up this statement with a positive guarantee. The next time you have a Cough or Cold cure it with

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**"Queen City"**

is better than a pure Mianzhi flour—it is better than a pure Ontario flour—being blended it combines the best qualities of both.

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NO HEART TO HEART.

She—"And now, Charlie, I suppose to-morrow you will have to speak to papa about this?"

He—"Yes, dearest, I suppose I must." (After a pause)—"Has your father a telephone?"

GIRLS ENTERING WOMANHOOD

FIND BILEANS A BOON.

Mothers who have daughters just on the critical borderland over which the girl passes into the fuller life of womanhood, will find Bileans a great boon. They make rich, red blood, and strengthen and invigorate the internal organs involved in the great change. Mrs. J. Beadle, of Home Place, Toronto, says: "My daughter, Elsie (13), was feeling far from well this winter. She complained of frequent headache and was always weakly, tired, and drowsy. She seemed altogether without energy or strength. Each morning her tongue was coated and her appetite failed. She was sometimes so dizzy that on stooping she almost fell, and she was also troubled a great deal with constipation. One single box of Bileans made a world of difference in her, and so I continued to give her this remedy. Within a few weeks they built her up wonderfully and they are keeping her in the best of health."

Bileans also cure anemia, green sickness, dizziness, sick headache, constipation, piles, rheumatism, scalds, and all liver and kidney ailments. They tone up the system and enable it to throw off colds, chills, etc. All drug stores and stores sell Bileans at 50c a box, or obtainable from the Bilean Co., Toronto, for price, 6 boxes sent for \$2.50.

The great Austrian salt mine at Wieliczka has 600 miles of galleries, and employs 9,000 miners. It has been worked for the past six centuries.

They Advertise themselves—Immediately were offered to the public. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills became popular because of the good report they made for themselves. That reputation has grown, and they now rank among the first medicines for use in attacks of dyspepsia and biliousness, complaints of the liver and kidneys, rheumatism, fever and ague and the innumerable complications to which these ailments give rise.

Doctor: "Did those red pills I left for little Walter do him any good?" Mrs. B.: "Yes, indeed, doctor. He's been sitting up in bed all day playing marbles with them."

You need not shed any tears if you will place "The L.L." Menstrual Plaster on that lame back. Try and be convinced.

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**"OSHAWA" Galvanized STEEL SHINGLES**

AT \$4.50 a square (10 ft. by 10 ft.), and with a guarantee of twenty-five years service back of the sale, "Oshawa" Galvanized Steel Shingles make the cheapest good roof for any permanent building on your farm. They last a hundred years. Even cedar or cypress shingles will cost you as much, and be rotted to dust long before an "Oshawa" Shingle shows a sign of wear. Slate will cost you far more to buy and twice as much to put on, and it won't last a lifetime.

"Oshawa" Steel Shingles make buildings lightning-proof, water-proof, wind-proof, fire-proof, and weather-proof for a quarter of a century, without painting. Made of semi-hardened heavy sheet steel (28-gauge—book—where shall we send your copy?)

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THURSDAY, FEB. 7, 1907.

## A Grand Jury's Strong Words

The grand jury at the Criminal Assizes at Toronto in their presentation to the court, on Monday, used strong words to express their disapproval of a number of evils in Canadian public life.

They condemn the publication in newspapers of advertisements of noxious drugs, the publication of details of crime and criminal trials, the "gross negligence of bank directors," the perjury of witnesses, the discrimination of justice, the increase in drunkenness and crime, as shown in the Toronto report, and the condition of the Toronto jail.

The jury has been four weeks in session. Part of the jury's presentation was as follows:

"During the consideration of the charge of murder our attention was forcibly directed to the reprehensible practice of daily and evening newspapers in Toronto and elsewhere publishing advertisements of the vendors of obnoxious drugs. Some of these advertisements are disgustingly frank in describing the ailments they are designed to cure, and others, carefully worded to be a thin veil to cover a palpably illegal business. If, as we are assured, it is an infraction of the law to publish these, the law should be strictly enforced.

"As a kindred matter to this, we publicly express our sentiments against the reporting in the daily press the nauseating details of criminal actions in this and other countries, while some of the foreign papers extensively sold in the streets of our city are in this regard unfit to go into the homes of the people.

"Your jurors also view with apprehension the speedy administration of justice between those who are accused, who have influence and wealth, and those who have not. We trust that no such tarnish will be permitted to rest upon the fair escutcheon of Canadian justice.

"We are impressed with the startling increase of drunkenness and crime shown by the records of the Toronto Police Court for the last few years, and no doubt, much of the overcrowding in jail and Central Prison is the result of this increase in drinking and attendant crimes. It is our conviction that these evils are intensified by the pernicious treating system so prevalent in our community, and we believe that wise measures, preventing or limiting the facilities for drinking provided by our open bar-rooms would be a general benefit."

## 200th Anniversary of Union

Preparations are being made both north and south of the Tweed for a fitting celebration on March 7th next, of the 200th anniversary of the union between England and Scotland.

The event is looked forward to in both kingdoms as a cause for national rejoicing, for the union has contributed not only to the greatness of the British Empire as a whole, but also to the prosperity of the two parties to the agreement.

Although it was good Queen Anne who finally brought about the union of Scotland and England in 1707, the history of Scotland as a separate kingdom was practically closed in 1603, when James VI, by his descent from Margaret Tudor, the mother of James V, became the heir to the English crown on the death of Queen Elizabeth, and accordingly succeeded to the throne. It was thus peacefully that the union of South and North Britain, so often attempted in vain by conquest, was brought about.

## Harold

Mr. Frank Ketcheson has had a new piano put in his home.

Mrs. Robert Bird, of Madoc, is the guest of Mrs. Thos. Cook, Sr.

Death has entered the homes of Messrs. Ernest Brown and John West, and taken their infant children. The parents have the sincere sympathy of the neighborhood.

Messrs. Thos. and Anson Lloyd attended the County Orange Lodge at Madoc on Tuesday.

Little Miss Edna Kirk is visiting her sister, Mrs. Earl Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jeffs spent Sunday at Mr. Scott's.

Mrs. Graham, of Kincardine, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. Geo. Bailey.

Mrs. Norris is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Heath.

Miss Annie Ashley, of Madoc, is the guest of Mrs. Jas. Bailey.

The family of Mr. Albert Tompkins, who have been ill, have recovered.

Mr. Geo. Woodard is home from Havelock owing to the illness of his father, who is suffering from pneumonia.

Mr. Will Cook is home from Peterboro, suffering from a burned foot, which he received in a foundry there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gay intend moving to Niagara shortly. We shall be sorry to lose these kind neighbors.

Mr. James Scott, a well-known and respected resident of Sidney, died on Monday night, after a short illness. He was in the 79th year of his age.

Clarence Rossau, a young man about 21 or 22 years of age, committed suicide by hanging in the barn of Mr. Hinegan, at Milford, Prince Edward county.

James Best, who owns a property in Bancroft township, Hastings county, upon which gold values to the extent of \$10 a ton have been discovered, has refused to put it in the hands of Government and of the same mineral is reported in Tudor township, near Madoc.

About 400 telephone girls in Toronto went out on strike last week because the company proposed to increase the hours of work from five to eight hours. Judge Winchester, appointed by Government, has been appointed by Government a commission to make a full investigation into the strike situation.

## For Rheumatic Sufferers

The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, lame back, lumbago and deep seated and muscular pains. For sale by Morton & Haight.

## Stirling School Board

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Stirling Board of Education held on Tuesday evening last, Feb. 5th, at the Council chamber.

Members present, F. T. Ward, chairman; Jas. Boldrick, C. W. Thompson, Jos. Doak, Dr. Alger, M. Bird and J. Shaw.

Minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved. Miss A. A. H. Martin, teacher in the Public School, tendered her resignation. It was moved by Dr. Alger, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the same be considered at the next regular meeting. Carried.

The following accounts were presented:

Morton & Haight, Public School	8 1.10
High	6.83
L. Meiklejohn, Public School	13 12
High	10.02
Globe	1 36
Warren & Son, Public School	2 50
High	7.75
A. S. Saylor, Public School	3 00
High	4 45
J. W. Brown, Public School	50
High	35
G. G. Thrasher, Sec'y	57

Moved by Dr. Alger, seconded by M. Bird, that all certified accounts be paid. On motion the Board adjourned.

Minutes of the first meeting of the Stirling Board of Education for the year 1907, held on Wednesday evening, Feb. 6th.

Members present, F. T. Ward, Dr. Faulkner, W. S. Martin, J. Shaw, Jas. Boldrick, C. W. Thompson, Jos. Doak, Dr. Walt, Dr. Bissonnette, Dr. Alger, J. S. Morton.

After the newly elected and appointed Trustees had taken their declaration of office the Sec'y called for nominations for Chairman for 1907.

Moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Jas. Boldrick, that C. W. Thompson be Chairman for 1907. No other nominations being made he was declared duly elected and took the chair.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Jos. Doak that G. G. Thrasher be appointed Sec'y-Treas. for 1907 at the usual salary and terms. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by F. T. Ward, that Messrs. Morton, Alger and Boldrick constitute the Finance committee. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Dr. Walt, that Messrs. Doak, Thompson and Bissonnette constitute the Property committee. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Shaw that Drs. Faulkner and Bissonnette and Mr. Boldrick constitute the Visiting committee of both High and Public Schools. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Bissonnette, seconded by Dr. Faulkner, that the Principals of both Public and High Schools hereafter attend the regular meetings of this Board for the purpose of reporting progress, attendance, etc. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Ward that accounts not certified, now presented, of Morton & Haight, L. Meiklejohn, and Warren & Son be referred to the Finance committee. Carried.

The resignation of Miss A. A. H. Martin having been read it was moved by Mr. Shaw, seconded by Mr. Doak, that her resignation be accepted and a suitable testimonial be prepared and presented. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Shaw that the minutes of the last regular meeting be confirmed. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Walt, that the applications of Miss Campbell and Miss Verna Free be referred to the Finance committee, etc., and if satisfactory to the Committee composed of Messrs. Ward, Thompson, Walt, Faulkner and Bissonnette, with power to make choice.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Boldrick, seconded by Mr. Doak, that the applications of Miss Campbell and Miss Free be referred to the Finance committee, etc., and if satisfactory to the Committee composed of Messrs. Ward, Thompson, Walt, Faulkner and Bissonnette, with power to make choice.

A communication was read from Miss Baker, of our High School, and also communications she had received from other schools, offering her higher salary but before acting upon her communication she wished the Board to know the increased offer.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Dr. Walt, that Miss Baker receive a salary of \$600 per annum, to commence after Easter holidays. Carried.

It was moved by Dr. Walt in a few well chosen remarks that he wished to have placed on record the appreciation of this Board for the able and untiring way in which our past Chairman has filled the position for the last two years. This motion was ably seconded by Mr. Jas. Boldrick.

Moved by Mr. W. S. Martin, seconded by Dr. Alger, that a Committee composed of the following: Dr. Faulkner, Dr. Bissonnette, Messrs. Thompson and Martin, look into the new School Act and make inquiries as to how it affects our Public School. Carried.

The following Trustees gave their names as subscribers for the "School Trustee": Dr. Faulkner, Dr. Alger, Dr. Walt, Messrs. Ward, Thompson and Morton.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Ward, that this Board purchase no more wood this winter, except what has already been secured by the Property Committee.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Thousands of antelopes are starving in the deep snow between Lethbridge and Medicine Hat, and round them are swarming coyotes and big timber wolves, watching to grab each one that falls.

The first telephone "Hello" was heard in 1878. Now there are millions of telephones scattered all over this continent. The Bell Telephone Co. alone had in use in 1905, 5,696,000, and the independent companies are pushing them hard. Conversation can now be carried on by persons 1,600 miles apart, and the end is not yet.

## Life Sketch of Thomas Bateman

A Former Resident of Rawdon  
The following sketch of the life of Thomas Bateman, a former resident of Rawdon township, is from an Illinois paper of a recent date:

Thomas Bateman was born June 18, 1837, in county Cork, Ireland. His parents were Samuel and Jane Bateman, who reared a family of ten children. Moved by the spirit of that mighty emigration which has directed so many millions of the world's population toward the brighter promises of success and happiness in the new, his parents came to America when Thomas was but a lad of 13. Fifty-six years ago the ocean was much wider than now, especially to the poor emigrant, and the voyage, made in a sailing vessel, lasted six weeks. They settled in Canada, near Rawdon, [it was in the 7th concession of Rawdon, -Ed.] where they lived for 21 years. Here Thomas worked for four dollars per month to help in the family support. On Nov. 3rd, 1861, at the age of 27, Mr. Bateman was married in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Brown, also of Canada. [His wife was a sister of Mr. Philip Brown, -Ed.] In 1871 with his wife and four children he moved to Illinois, accompanied by his aged father and mother, who made their home with him. They died in the home of their son, the father in 1874 and the mother in 1881. On coming to this state he bought land on Blue Ridge, where he has made his home for 35 years, known and respected by his neighbors for his uprightness of character. To him and his faithful wife were born a family of 11 children, who honored and comforted him while he was living and now cherish with tender regard his memory in the hour of death. From this large family circle the father is the first link to be removed by the hand of death.

After a physical decline of several years a fatal illness laid hold upon him some four weeks ago and on Christmas eve there came a swift summons from the skies and without a word the spirit of our brother departed for the eternal home at the hour of 7 o'clock. By industry and business ability the subject of this life history was enabled to accumulate considerable property, the home place of 200 acres being one of the finest country homes in the community. He was the last survivor of the old settlers in this neighborhood. His early education was received in Ireland and he was reared in the company of the church in England. Some 15 years ago he joined with the Methodist Episcopal church at Lindsey chapel. Mr. Bateman was strictly honest in all dealings with his fellow men, kind to his family, considerate of their welfare and, in short, honorable in every relationship of life. Besides the wife, children and grandchildren there survive him, one sister, Mrs. Bessie Tanner, 87 years of age, residing in Canada. These with other relatives and many friends mourn his sudden departure.

Funeral services were held on Thursday at 11 o'clock a.m. at the home, conducted by Rev. Gooding, assisted by Rev. McGee. A large number of relatives and friends attended the services and followed the remains to the Blue Ridge cemetery for interment. The widow and children have the sympathy of all in this affliction.

Two extra guards have been put on duty in Kingston penitentiary to look after a ghost reported to be haunting the yards.

Mrs. Russell Sage has donated \$1,000, 000 to the Emma Willard Seminary at Troy, and \$250,000 to the International Y. M. C. A.

A fire at Picton on Saturday night completely gutted the Jamieson block on Main street, causing a loss of about forty thousand dollars.

Twenty-five men were killed in an explosion in a mine in West Virginia. This is the third disaster in the region within the past fortnight.

Mr. G. R. Cockburn, ex-president of the Ontario Bank, accused of signing a false return to the Dominion Government, has been pronounced guilty.

The C. P. R. has cut out all passenger trains across Saskatchewan and Alberta but one each way, to make way for coal trains, the fuel situation being more serious than ever.

Report of Spring Brook Public School for January

Sr. IV—Total marks 700—C Mosher 623, G Thompson 400, F Heagle 333, K Bateman 327, T Forestell 264, H Sessmith 180.

Jr. IV—Total 700—J E. Connell 355, P Thompson 572, M Rosebush 428, J Fenn 441, G Bateman 434, W Thompson 427, O Welch 384, M Mumby 377, A MacConnell 370, E Tanner 279, W Heagle 244, L Poole 183, C Tanner 87.

Sr. III—Total 700—R Thompson 617, M Green 495, M Forestell 497, W Thompson 428, L E. Connell 355, J E. Connell 355, Mullen 377, A Reid 350, M Heagle 370, P Morgan 258, D Nerrie 233, E Mason 172, P Quackenbush 75.

Jr. III—Total 700—J E. Connell 355, L E. Connell 355, Mullen 377, A Reid 350, M Heagle 370, P Morgan 258, D Nerrie 233, E Mason 172, P Quackenbush 75.

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<b>Ladies' Black Cloth Jackets</b> Everyone this season's newest and best styles. Regular price, \$7.50 to \$8.75, for \$5.00 " " " " \$9.50 " \$12.00, " \$7.00 " " " " \$13.00 " \$15.00, " \$10.00	<b>Children's Jackets</b> About 75 Children's Cloth Jackets in fashionable clothes in newest styles at exactly <b>Half Price</b>
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The Toronto News (Daily)	.....2.25
The Toronto Star (Daily)	.....2.25
The Toronto Globe (Daily)	.....4.50
The Farmers' Advocate, weekly	.....\$2.25

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Plans are on foot for a big exhibition in London next year. It is to be a joint affair of Britain and France and the colonies of both are to be called the "Entente Cordiale Exhibition."

Mr. R. Tunnicliffe, only son of Mrs. Tunnicliffe, of Trenton, was accidentally killed on Saturday. He went out on a hunting trip with a companion, and while taking his gun from the buggy it discharged, the charge striking him on the head, causing instant death.

Charles McGill, late general manager of the Ontario Bank, at the assizes in Toronto last week, pleaded guilty to making and signing false returns to the Government, and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. This is the maximum penalty for the offence.

Havelock Standard.—Dr. W. C. Brown, of Bellevue, brother of Mrs. A. Carmichael, of town, has located at Lakeside, where, his friends here hope that he will enjoy a lucrative practice. Dr. Brown was appointed physician of the county House of Refuge last week.

There is quite a little talk of the local option by-law in Asphodel, which was voted on and passed at the last municipal elections, being protested. On election day the polling booth in Norwood was changed without any notice being given, and no one being left at the original booth to wait voters when they go. A number of voters did not get a chance to vote.

Many reasons surely must influence men and women to help in the great work being carried on by the

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than Tuesday evening. Advertisers will  
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accordingly. New advertisements will be  
accepted on Wednesday.

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THE NEWS-ARGUS invites the contri-  
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sonal nature, such as the arrival of guests,  
etc. Please notify the editor, or leave a  
note at this office or drop a card into the  
post office, giving full particulars.

Col. Young, of Kingston, was here last  
week inspecting the armory, and found  
everything satisfactory.  
Mr. Fred Ferguson left on Monday for  
Pittsburg, Penn., to accept a position with  
a bank and shoe firm.  
Miss Lena Martin left for Toronto on  
Saturday, where she will remain until the  
spring military openings.  
Mrs. R. J. Gregg will receive on Wed-  
nesday and Thursday, 13th and 14th inst.,  
from 3 to 6 p.m., at the residence of her  
mother, Mrs. E. Lanktree, John Street.

**Report of S. S. No. 22, Sidney for  
January**

CLASS V—Marks required 42—M. Win-  
sor 531.  
CLASS II, Sr.—Req'd 402—E. Wescott 545,  
L. Brooks 415, M. Richardson 372, A. Fy-  
ar 373, Agnes McLachlan 372, J. McLachlan  
364, A. McLachlan 273, M. Fyfar 257.  
CLASS IV, Jr.—Req'd 50—F. Winsor 72,  
E. Carlisle 60, E. Dicks 60, E. H. Hagerman  
57, W. Weaver 57, H. Hagerman 50, H. Hagerman  
47.  
CLASS III, Jr.—Req'd 150—K. McKee 254,  
F. Weaver 58.  
CLASS II, Sr.—Req'd 200—B. Richardson  
270, A. Keating 261.  
CLASS II, Jr.—Req'd 150—F. Armstrong  
219, C. Smith 219, R. H. H. 141.  
Pr. II, Sr.—Req'd 150—M. Winsor 297, G.  
Green 168, C. Weaver 127.  
Pr. II, Jr.—Req'd 100—L. Holden 150, R.  
Carlisle 150, M. Weaver 127, I. Wescott 55,  
W. Wescott 53, F. Armstrong 32.  
Conduct marks, 400—L. Brooks 400,  
A. Fyfar 400, M. Fyfar 400, E. Carlisle 388,  
A. Carlisle 385, E. McKee 394, J. McLachlan  
380, Agnes McLachlan 380, L. Holden 388,  
C. Smith 387, M. Richardson 380, F. Winsor  
377, R. Hubble 374, A. Keating 371, E. Brooks  
370, M. Winsor 370, A. McLachlan 359, B.  
Richardson 358, E. Carlisle 357, F. Arm-  
strong 356, M. Weaver 353, H. Hagerman  
345, W. McLachlan 333, C. Weaver 323,  
W. Wescott 318, E. Wescott 317, G. Green 229,  
F. Weaver 263, A. Weaver 260, F. Armstrong  
169, D. Weaver 150, I. Wescott 80.  
Average attendance 27,856.  
Visitors—Mr. Ashley Brooks, Aletha  
Nolan, Nellie Keating, Fred Keating, Ida  
Weaver, Hazel McMullen, Betta Edwards,  
Mr. and Mrs. J. Chard, Miss Ethel Curtis,  
Mrs. Wm. Carlisle, Mr. J. Cummings.

**Severe Weather in the West**

A Winnipeg despatch, dated Feb. 8rd,  
says:—Following the great storm of  
Thursday and Friday the most severe  
cold of the winter has settled over the  
entire west. Fifty-two below zero was  
registered at several points, and in Win-  
nipeg it was 42 at 9 a.m. Railways are  
in very bad shape, but will make de-  
spairing efforts to clear the lines at once  
now that the weather has settled. The  
condition of the railroads is well indi-  
cated by the fact that following the  
storm of a week ago nine engines and a  
snowplough were stalled on one piece of  
road between Thornhill and Winkler,  
Man., a distance of between fifty and  
seventy-five miles.

If you are constipated, dull or bilious, or  
have a malow lifeless complexion, try Lax-  
ative just once to see what they will do for  
you. Lax-atives are little toothsome candy  
tablets—nice to eat, nice in effect. No  
griping, no pain. Just a gentle laxative  
effect that is pleasantly desirable. Handy  
for the vest pocket or purse. Lax-atives meet  
every desire. Lax-atives come to you in  
beautiful HAZEL GARDNER'S Laxative Candy  
tablets and 25 cents. Sold by Morton &  
Haight.

## ADVERTISING NOTICES.

In the local column will be charged as follows:  
To Regular Advertisers.—Three lines and un-  
der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,  
35 cents per line. Matter set in larger than the or-  
dinary type, 10c. per line.  
To Transient Advertisers.—10c. per line each  
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**  
Trains call at Stirling station as follows:  
GOING WEST.  
Mail & Ex. 6.47 a.m. Passenger 10.17 a.m.  
Passenger 6.42 p.m. Mail & Ex. 8.48 p.m.

**The Stirling News-Argus.**

THURSDAY, FEB. 7, 1907.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

A dead dog lying on Front street this  
morning looks as if there was a dog  
poisoner getting in his work.

The first meeting of the Stirling  
Board of Education for 1907 was held  
last evening. Mr. C. W. Thompson  
was elected chairman.

Mr. A. W. Carscadden, ex-M.P., of  
Marmora, had a stroke of paralysis on  
Monday last, but slight hopes are  
entertained for his recovery.

At a meeting of the Fair Association for  
this district held at Campbellford last  
week, Thursday and Friday, the  
26th and 27th of September, were select-  
ed as the dates for Stirling Fair.

**CARD OF THANKS.**—Mrs. Feeny, of  
Toronto, wishes to thank the friends at  
Anson for their kindness in the burial of  
her husband.

Mr. E. J. Doak, a former resident of  
Stirling, has purchased a drug business  
at 1469 Queen St. west, Toronto, (Park-  
dale). We, and his many friends here,  
wish him success in his venture.

There is a great deal of sickness in  
this vicinity, very many being prostrated  
with la grippe, pneumonia, and kindred  
diseases. The sudden and severe  
changes in the weather are no doubt  
the cause.

At the meeting of the official Quar-  
terly Board of Rawdon Circuit, held at  
Wellman's Corners on Saturday last,  
Rev. D. Balfour received an unanimous  
invitation to return to the circuit for the  
fourth year.

An effort is being made by some parties  
to establish an independent tele-  
phone service, and to make it principally  
for the accommodation of farmers,  
though as many of the villagers as de-  
sire to do so may connect with it. There  
are many of these independent  
lines now in existence both in Canada  
and the United States, and we see no  
reason why it should not be a success  
here.

**NOTICE.**—All Sir Knights of R. B. P.  
No. 208, St. Thomas East, are requested to  
attend the next regular meeting on Feb.  
18th, as business of importance will be  
transacted.  
WILLIAM MARTIN, JOHN R. COOKE,  
Reg. W. P.

We have heard of persons becoming  
very ill after eating cabbage, and it is  
said that a worm or small snake in the  
cabbage is the cause. This is confirmed  
by the account given us by one of our  
subscribers, Mr. George Griffin, who  
states that the other day when his wife  
cut open a head of cabbage a small  
white snake about six inches in length  
was found in its centre. Needless to  
say the cabbage was not cooked, and  
the family have sworn off eating that  
vegetable for good.

The W. F. M. S. of St. Andrew's  
church held an entertainment in the  
town hall, on Friday night. Over two  
hundred views were shown illustrating  
the various phases of a home mission-  
ary's life and work. A portion of the  
program consisted of moving pictures  
themselves illustrating the story of "Uncle  
Tom's Cabin" being particularly good.

A number of beautifully illustrated  
songs were rendered by the Misses May  
and Katie Kennedy, Master Lynd Rol-  
lins, and Mr. Leslie Kennedy. The  
proceeds were for mission work in India.

## Address and Presentation

On Friday night, Feb. 1st, a number  
of the neighbors and friends of Mr. and  
Mrs. Allan Lawrence gathered at their  
home to spend a social evening with  
them before their removal to their new  
residence in Sidney. The following ad-  
dress was read by Miss Mabel Fyfar:

DEAR MR. AND MRS. LAWRENCE.—To-  
night as we gather here as your neighbors  
and friends, we feel that it would not be  
our duty to let you depart from our midst  
without giving you some slight  
token of remembrance of your connections  
with your old neighborhood, so we ask  
you to accept this sofa and parlor table as  
a small token, and we all join in wishing  
you all every success and prosperity in  
your new home, to which you are about  
to remove.

Signed on behalf of your old neighbors  
and friends,  
HAZEL MCMULLEN,  
MABEL FYFAR,  
ROBERT EGGLETON.

Mr. Lawrence expressed his sincere  
appreciation of the present and his  
gratitude to the neighborhood. After a  
few speeches by others, lunch  
was served. The gathering broke up  
at about 12 o'clock, all having spent a  
pleasant evening, and regretted that it  
would be the last enjoyed in the com-  
pany of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence.

## Village Council.

Council met on Monday evening last.  
All the members present. Minutes of  
former meeting read and approved.  
Communications from W. P. Miles  
and Canadian Fairbanks Co. were re-  
ceived and filed.

The following accounts were present-  
ed, and on motion ordered to be paid:  
R. G. Kingston..... 10 50  
B. R. Wright..... 10 00  
Alfred McCutcheon..... 8 25  
T. G. Clute, guarantee bond..... 10 00

Moved by Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded  
by Mr. Coulter, that the Street Com-  
mittee be empowered to buy 50 cords of  
stone, to be crushed for street purposes,  
at as low a rate as possible, to be laid  
down at some convenient place in the  
village.—Carried.

Jas. W. Cummings was heard with  
reference to balance of \$58.96 in Coun-  
cil's hands for cement walks, and asked  
to have the amount paid him, he to give  
a bond for two years, from completion  
of work, Sept. 23, 1906.

Moved by Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded  
by Mr. Wright, that the money be paid  
over on completion of bond satisfactory  
to the Reeve and Clerk.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Coulter, seconded by  
Mr. Wright, that the collectors' time be  
extended to March 1st, the roll to be  
then returned.—Carried.

A by-law was then introduced and  
passed for the appointment of officers.  
The following appointments were made:  
Medical Health Officer, Dr. Sprague;  
member of Library Board, Miss Gravelly;  
caretaker of Town Hall, A. McCutcheon,  
at a salary of \$50 per year, payable  
quarterly; constable, A. McCutcheon,  
with a salary in addition to his regular  
fees equal to one-half the fines imposed  
by means of his services.

Moved by Mr. Wright, seconded by  
Mr. Coulter, that the Reeve and Mr.  
Meiklejohn be a committee to rent the  
Hall.—Carried.

## Central Hastings Loyal Orange County Lodge

The annual meeting of the county  
lodge for Central Hastings was held in  
the village of Madoc on Tuesday, Feb.  
5th. There was a large attendance and  
the meeting was a pleasant and har-  
monious one.

The county secretary, Bro. J. Earl  
Halliwell, was not present on account of  
being laid up as the result of an acci-  
dent which lately occurred.

There was a large increase reported  
in the membership and finances.

A resolution was passed allowing  
each district lodge to celebrate the  
coming 12th of July wherever they  
deem proper.

A letter was ordered to be sent to the  
county secretary, Bro. J. Earl Halliwell,  
expressing the sympathy of the lodge in  
his present affliction.

The following officers were elected for  
the ensuing year:  
Bro. Miles Mason—County Master  
" F. P. Clark—Deputy  
" J. Earl Halliwell—County Sec'y  
" Rev. E. A. Sanderson—County  
[Chaplain  
" Mr. Gay—Dep. County Chaplain  
" W. S. Martin—County Treasurer  
" Arch. Thompson—D. of C.

Bros. W. Knox and T. H. Thompson  
[—County Lecturers  
The next county lodge meeting will  
be held in the village of Madoc.

## Hockey

On Monday afternoon the Juniors  
played the return match with Marmora  
and the latter again went down to de-  
feat to the tune of 2-1. The game was  
close and exciting, and not altogether  
free from rough play. Pete Graine  
made some fine rushes, and Martin,  
Grain and Bean were kept busy from  
start to finish. Reynolds and McMillan  
of the defence, were hard to break  
through, while Montgomery, in goal,  
was like a stone wall.

**MARMORA STIRLING**  
Hockey goal Montgomery  
Welles point McMillan  
Hatton cover point Reynolds  
Butler rover Bean  
Bleeker right wing Martin  
Smith left wing Graine  
Darey centre Graine

On Wednesday evening a very amus-  
ing game of hockey was played here  
between the staff of the Sovereign Bank  
and a team of married men. Several  
of the players had not been on the ice this  
season before and the rushes of these  
were the cause of much laughter. The  
married men worked hard, and at half  
time the score stood 7-2 in their favor.  
In the latter half each team scored 3  
goals, making the total of 10-5. Mr.  
Ernest Morton acted as referee.

Stirling are scheduled to play a game  
with Trenton in that place on Friday  
night.

The Juniors are to play matches with  
Belleville and Trenton very shortly.

Croup can positively be stopped in 20  
minutes. No vomiting—nothing to sicken  
or distress your child. A sweet, pleasant  
and safe syrup, called Dr. Shoop's Croup  
Cure, does the work and does it quickly.  
Dr. Shoop's Croup Cure is for croup alone,  
remember. It does not claim to cure  
dozen ailments. It's for croup, that's all.  
Sold by Morton & Haight.

During 1906 three hundred rich men  
in the United States gave to education,  
religion, and charity the sum of \$61,-  
000,000. Add to the above the smaller  
gifts and regular contributions to mis-  
sions and churches, and it is estimated  
that it would total \$106,000,000. One  
of the religious papers takes occasion to  
remark that this is truly an age of gener-  
osity. And yet on the altar of Rum  
we lay \$1,200,000,000 per annum.

Piles get quick relief from Dr. Shoop's  
Mighty Ointment. Remember its made  
ALONE for piles—and works with certainty  
and the most delicate, itching, painful,  
troubling piles disappear like magic by its  
use. Try it and see. Sold by Morton &  
Haight.

## Uniform Election Law

One of the Acts to be introduced in  
the Legislature this session will be  
one to amend the Municipal Act, under  
which there will be uniformity in regu-  
lating municipal elections. Under the  
present conditions in cities, towns and  
villages, nominees must file a declaration  
in respect to qualification before 9  
o'clock on the evening following nomi-  
nation or have the name stricken from  
the list of names for the ballot. So far  
as townships are concerned the effect of  
the Act works the other way. All nom-  
inations are allowed to go on the ballot  
paper unless they resign before 9 o'clock  
on the day following nomination. This  
has led to great annoyance in elections  
in townships, where many candidates  
have been nominated without their con-  
sent, while other nominations have been  
made as jokes. In some instances  
people so nominated have been com-  
pelled to issue circulars and printed posters  
announcing the fact that they are not  
candidates. Townships will be placed  
in the same position as cities in the future.

## Food Adulteration.

The disclosure by science of the adul-  
teration of food and drink are appalling.  
Tea, coffee, cocoa, spice, gin, pickles,  
whiskey, mustard, vinegar, glucose,  
flour, are adulterated, and in some  
cases with poison. Medicine is adulter-  
ated likewise. This, in extent at least,  
is a growth of recent times and of the  
reign of greed. Old people do not re-  
collect anything so bad in the days of  
their youth. Science herself, perhaps,  
has innocently shown the way to that  
which she now reveals. Poisonous  
adulteration is murder, nothing less.  
It is sadder the most mercenary and  
cold-blooded, as well as upon the largest  
scale, and as murder it would be  
treated if it had its due. Yet it is like-  
ly that not a few of these miscreants  
are holding their heads high in decent  
society and going to church perhaps  
hardly conscious of their crime. Labels  
are very well. But in this case, as in  
the case of stealing, from insurance  
companies, a highly respectable knave  
behind prison bars would be more ef-  
fective than any label. The repeated  
rejection of measures for the protection  
of food by Congress, especially by the  
Senate, compelling resort to State legis-  
lation, has a sinister appearance.—"A  
Bystander" in Weekly Sun.

The Belleville Ontario of Tuesday  
says: A number of Canadian Northern  
Railway surveyors were in the city  
yesterday, and to-day are laying out  
the proposed route of the railway  
through the city. They have been sur-  
veying from the east and the line of  
route is south of the Kingston road.

## Auction Sales

TUESDAY, FEB. 12.—On lot 21, con. 5,  
Seymour, the farm stock and implements  
belonging to Mr. Frank Maybee. Sale at  
one o'clock, sharp. G. A. Hay, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEB. 21.—At Harold, a lot  
of farm stock, implements and household ef-  
fects, the property of Mr. Wm. Gay. Sale  
at 1 o'clock p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

MONDAY, FEB. 25.—At Sidney Town  
Hall a lot of stock, implements, black-  
smith's tools and household furniture be-  
longing to Mr. Robert Cosbey. Sale at 1  
o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, FEB. 26.—On lot 6, con. 5, Sid-  
ney, the farm stock and implements be-  
longing to Mr. Nelson Potter. Sale at 1  
o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27.—On west half of  
lot 2, con. 8, Huntingdon, the farm stock  
and implements belonging to Mr. Joseph  
Wood. Sale at 1 o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rod-  
gers, auctioneer.

## Births.

FITZPATRICK.—In Sidney, on Feb. 6th, to  
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Fitzpatrick, a daughter.

MCGEE.—In Stirling, on Feb. 3rd, to Mr.  
and Mrs. Clinton McGee, a son.

COLE.—In Stirling, on Saturday, Jan. 26th,  
to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cole, a son.

McCORM.—At Bellevue, on Jan. 25th, to Mr.  
and Mrs. Samuel McCorm, a son.

CALDWELL.—At Bellevue, on Jan. 20th, to  
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Caldwell, a son.

EVERETT.—At Bellevue, on Jan. 20th, to  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Everett, a daughter.

## Deaths.

FEENEY.—At Toronto, Jan. 24th, 1907, J. H.  
Feeny, aged 65 years, 11 months and 14 days.  
His remains were brought to Anson for inter-  
ment.

## Call on

**W. J. GRAHAM**  
for High Grade

PIANOS and ORGANS  
Sewing Machines  
De Laval Cream Separators  
Carriages Lumber Wagons  
Cultivating and Seeding Machinery  
Deering Harvesting Machinery  
Manure Spreaders  
Celebrated Percival and  
Wilkinson Plows  
Feed and Litter Carriers  
Hay Cars and Slings  
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Farm Bells  
INTERNATIONAL GASOLINE ENGINES  
Opposite Mather's Store, Stirling

**MEAT SHOP**  
Under new management. The business  
formerly carried on by A. H. SEELEY, is  
now changed to

**SEELEY & HATTON**  
We are prepared to supply the public  
with first-class Meats of all kinds at low-  
est cash prices.  
SEELEY & HATTON.

# Stirling's New Store.

The one price to all—all the time  
Special prices on  
**White Wool Blankets**

Extra good values at our regular prices.  
5 pairs white wool Blankets, regular price \$2.90,  
Sale price .. \$2.19  
4 pairs white wool Blankets, regular \$3.50,  
Sale price .. \$2.78  
3 pairs white wool Blankets, regular \$4.00,  
Sale price .. \$2.98  
1 pair white wool Blankets, regular \$4.75,  
Sale price .. \$3.58  
1 pair white wool Blankets, regular \$5.25,  
Sale price .. \$4.19  
1 pair white wool Blankets, regular \$5.85,  
Sale price .. \$4.38

**LADIES' HOSIERY**  
10 dozen pairs heavy ribbed Hose, sizes 8½, 9, 9½, 10,  
regular 25 cts. per pair, Sale price .. 19 cts.

Try us for good  
**CHOICE GROCERIES**

Always fresh. Here are some specials for this week:  
Tiger brand Salmon, deep pink, regular 15 cts.,  
Our price .. 2 cans for 25 cts.  
Quaker brand canned Corn, 3 tins for .. 25 cts.  
Quaker brand canned Peas, 3 tins for .. 25 cts.  
Have you tried our 25-cent TEA—green or black. If  
not, it will pay you to do so at once.  
Fresh Prunes, extra large size, 3 lbs. for .. 25 cts.

# G. W. ANDERSON.

Produce taken in exchange for goods or for cash. PHONE No. 29.

# WINTER FOOTWEAR

Going at a big reduction in prices  
AT J. W. BROWN'S

We will have a lot of cold weather yet.  
You can save from 10 to 15 per cent.  
Come while we have your size in stock.  
Everything must go regardless of cost.  
Don't delay as you can save money by buying now.

Boots made to order. Repairing neatly done.  
We would like all overdue accounts settled.

**J. W. BROWN,**  
Butter and Eggs taken in exchange.  
RELIABLE BOOT & SHOE MERCHANT

**Invest! Invest! Invest!**

Where? In Winnipeg and West, where for-  
tunes are made in a year.

You would be laughed at in Winnipeg if you were to  
admit that your savings were drawing only 3%. We will  
guarantee that we can make you at least 20% on your  
money by allowing us to invest it in Winnipeg or other  
western Real Estate, and we can make your money earn  
many times that amount.  
Our lists are made up of Business Properties, Ware-  
house Sites, Vacant Lots, in every locality, throughout  
the city, and Farm Lands, improved and unimproved  
throughout the West. Write us for information.

# RODGERS-BOULTON LAND COMPANY

608 MCINTYRE BLOCK, WINNIPEG, MAN.

**Pianos and Organs**

We now have in stock a full line of  
Heintzman Newcombe and  
New Scale Williams Pianos  
which we are prepared to sell on any  
terms. Every instrument fully guar-  
anteed.  
Also a full line of  
Gramophones and Records  
A full line of  
Harness, Robes and Horse Blankets  
on hand.  
We are also agents for the  
Raymond Sewing Machines and  
Massey-Harris Farm Implements

**LANKTREE & FRENCH,**  
MUI St., Stirling.

P.S.—A new Empire Cream Separ-  
ator, 150 pounds capacity, for \$50.00 in  
connection.

All Difficult and Chronic Diseases diag-  
nosed and special treatment given.  
DISEASES OF LUNGS, THROAT, EAR AND  
NOSE. FITTING OF GLASSES.  
Diseases of Women, Piles, Constipation,  
Prostatic Diseases of Men, Rectal Troubles,  
Cure of the Nose and all Acute and  
Chronic Diseases treated by the most ap-  
proved, scientific principles.  
All in doubt of their ailments should  
have an X RAY Examination.

R. ELGIN TOWLE, M.B., M.D.C.M.,  
Physician-in-Charge.  
Office Hours 12 to 3 p.m. Drug Store in  
connection.







# RESIGNATION OF SWETTENHAM

## Citizens of Kingston Deplore the Government's Incapacity.

A despatch from London says: There is reason to believe that the resignation of Sir Alexander Swettenham as Governor of Jamaica has been accepted, though the officials of the Foreign Office are mysteriously silent and refuse all information on the subject. This official reticence is attributed to a desire to complete the arrangements for a succession to the post before announcing Swettenham's retirement. It is expected that the latter will leave the island as soon as details can be completed for handing over the affairs of his office. The Government officials here, particularly those of the Foreign Office, have expressed the opinion throughout that this was the only possible outcome of the Kingston incident, short of the peremptory dismissal of the Governor.

### CITIZENS EXPRESS THEMSELVES.

A despatch from Kingston, Jamaica, says: A large meeting of representative citizens was held in Victoria Market on Tuesday to discuss plans for rebuilding the city. The following resolutions were adopted by acclamation:—This meeting deplores the enormous loss caused to the entire community, and more particularly the mercantile community, by the wholesale pillaging of shops and stores, such pillaging being entirely due to lack of organization on the part of the Government; the Government not calling citizens to its aid, and its refusal of valuable succor offered by the navy of the United States, which would have prevented much of the loss that has occurred.

"This meeting with deep regret desires to place upon the record its conviction that the chief executive officers of the Government have been and are still out of touch with the community generally, and that this attitude on the part of the said officers would appear to render them incapable of coping with the situation in the only way practical, namely, that of concerted action on the part of all the persons concerned."

### STRICKEN KINGSTON.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The Department of Trade and Commerce has received a letter from a Halifax commercial company in close touch with conditions in Jamaica expressing surprise at the recent telegram from Mr. Burke, commercial agent for Canada on the island, stating that there was no great need of aid from outside, and that conditions following the earthquake could be remedied by the local authorities. From advices received direct from Jamaica the Halifax correspondents of the department state that they cannot understand why such a reassuring telegram should have been sent to the Canadian Government. Their information is that the whole city was practically destroyed, and that for ten miles out in the surrounding country there is hardly a habitable house.

### CHAS. MCGILL'S SENTENCE.

Former Manager of Ontario Bank Gets Five Years.

A despatch from Toronto says: Five years' imprisonment in the Kingston Penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Friday on Charles McGill, former general manager of the Ontario Bank, who pleaded guilty in the Criminal Assizes before Mr. Justice Clute to the charge of preparing and signing false returns to send to the department at Ottawa. There were three indictments against the accused, and he pleaded guilty to two counts in the first one. The court imposed sentence in these cases and traversed those in which McGill pleaded not guilty until the next Assizes. Mr. Justice Clute and the counsel in the case stated emphatically that the newspaper statements regarding the dropping of the theft charges were incorrect. No understanding existed whereby the prosecution promised not to go on with these indictments, which would come up for trial in due course.

### LADY VICTORIA DEAD.

Earl Grey's Eldest Daughter Falls Victim to Typhoid.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Lady Victoria Grenfell, eldest daughter of Earl Grey, who has been ill from typhoid fever for the past three weeks, died shortly before midnight on Sunday night. Her Ladyship passed the critical fourteenth day a week ago. It was felt that if she lived over three periods of seven days, which fell due on Sunday, her condition would be absolutely safe. Saturday the viceregal family were hopeful as to Lady Victoria's condition, but unfortunately Sunday evening a relapse set in and she gradually succumbed. All the members of the viceregal party, including Mr. Arthur Grenfell, husband of Lady Victoria, were present when the end came. Lady Victoria was married to Mr. Arthur Grenfell four years ago. She was in the 29th year of her age.

### FROZEN TO DEATH.

Woman and Two Children Found in Grand Rapids Tenement.

A despatch from Grand Rapids, Michigan, says: Miss Emma K. Livingston and two children, her nephews, were found on Sunday frozen to death in a tenement here. A third child, a niece, was found badly frozen, but alive. The dead children were Alfred, a four-year-old son, and Lincoln B. Livingston, aged three. The name of the little girl is Helen. Her age is ten. None of the family had been seen since Thursday, when two of the children attended school. It is supposed that after the family retired Thursday night they became partially asphyxiated by coal gas and the fire died out and they were frozen to death.

### MR. G. R. R. COCKBURN ACQUITTED.

Was the Former President of the Ontario Bank.

A despatch from Toronto says: The trial of Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, former president of the Ontario Bank, on a charge of wilfully making false returns to the Government as to the bank's position, was concluded on Monday evening. It ended in the acquittal of Mr. Cockburn. Magistrate Denison holding that the Crown had entirely failed to prove that the president had failed to have knowledge of the falsification of the accounts. Allegations on this point had been made by one witness alone, a witness who had been convicted of a serious offence and against whom there were two indictments for theft outstanding. The evidence given by Mr. McGill had been contradicted by numerous witnesses, who had also testified that they had been instructed by him to conceal the books from the president.

### TWO LIVES LOST.

Norman McDougall and Daughter Suffocated at Winnipeg.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Norman McDougall, a member of the real estate firm of Marshall & Co., and his little daughter, aged three years, were suffocated in a fire in their residence, 680 Sherbrooke Street, on Wednesday night. The explosion of a lamp caused the fire, and the father's life was lost in a desperate effort to save the child, who had been distracted by fear while the fire broke out and concealed herself in a room. One of the saddest features of the distressing occurrence is the fact that two other little girls are left orphaned, almost helpless, their mother having died about a year ago.

### TO RELIEVE THE SETTLERS.

Patrol of Police Starts for Eagle Lake With Provisions.

A despatch from Regina, Sask., says: Commissioner Berry, of the Royal North-West Mounted Police, issued orders for a patrol of three men to set out from Saskatoon to take relief to the settlers in the Eagle Lake district, who are in dire want since their provisions ran out. This patrol will take along three big sleighs loaded with provisions, and the men will investigate the freezing to death of men in the district, which report reached Regina on Monday.

### KILLED AT LONGWOODS.

Mr. Walter Phillips Struck by Grand Trunk Flyer.

A despatch from Strathroy, Ont., says: Mr. Walter Phillips of Melbourne was struck by the Grand Trunk Flyer and instantly killed on Monday at Longwoods crossing. Mr. Phillips was one of the best known cattle dealers in western Ontario.

### CANADA'S EIGHTY MILLIONS.

Lord Strathcona Predicts this Population by Year 2000.

A despatch from London says: Lord Strathcona in an interview here on Monday said he was confident that by the end of the century Canada's population would be quite 80,000,000.

### THE EARTH OPENED.

Fearful Earthquake in the Solomon Islands.

A despatch from San Francisco says: The Solomon Islands in the South Sea were visited by a fearful earthquake several months ago, in which the earth was opened and deep gorges created. The entire appearance of the islands was changed. There was no loss of life. The news was brought here by Governor C. B. L. Moore, who arrived on Thursday from Samoa. He stated that a trading schooner came into Apia with the news shortly before he sailed. It is deemed probable that the earth quake was the one recorded then on the seismographs in various parts of the world. According to the instrument at Apia, Samoa, it lasted for several minutes, and was said to be the heaviest shock ever recorded. It was figured that it occurred somewhere in the South Seas, but no report came from any civilized island it was believed that it occurred at sea.

### A HORRIBLE DEATH.

Conductor Lay for Ten Hours Pinned Under Boiler.

A despatch from Missoula, Montana, says: Two engines, upon which were riding a large number of men who had been engaged in breaking the snow blockade near Salter, Mont., plunged over an embankment two miles west of De Borgia on Thursday, killing two men and injuring nearly a score, some of them seriously. The dead are: D. R. McDonald, conductor, and Levi Burris, fireman. Conductor McDonald's death occurred on Thursday night after he had been pinned for ten hours beneath a boiler, with his body partly submerged in the icy waters of the river. His fellow-workmen, unable to help him, kept his head above the water until he died. He steadfastly refused to have his leg amputated.

### GIVES SKIN TO SAVE BROTHER.

London Man Has Twenty-Four Square Inches Removed at Hospital.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Samuel Anderson on Thursday underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital, when four strips of skin, one inch by six inches, were removed and grafted on the side of his brother, James Anderson, who was terribly burned in September last while underneath a house. The whole contents of the firebox were emptied on him, burning him from shoulder to hip. Both patients are doing favorably, and a complete cure is expected.

### \$10,000 FIRE AT PICTON.

Three-storey Brick Structure Occupied by Two Firms, Destroyed.

A despatch from Picton, Ont., says: Picton was visited shortly after midnight Saturday with one of the worst fires in the history of the town, when the Jamieson Block was destroyed, a loss of about \$40,000. The building, a three-storey brick structure, was occupied by the dry goods establishments of Cayley and Tanner, and A. J. Fralick and Company, men's furnishings. The cause of the fire is unknown. It was nearly an hour before the firemen got properly at work. The fight to control the flames was kept up with the greatest difficulty, as a strong biting wind blew, and everything coated with ice as fast as the water issued from the hose. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

### MCGEE'S MANY VICTIMS.

Colin Campbell, the Florist, Compelled to Assign.

A despatch from Montreal says: The Attorney-General of the Province has been asked to intervene in the case of William J. McGee of the People's Mutual Building Society, and see that a strict and far-reaching investigation takes place. The new features in the case are these: McGee will not be sentenced on the mere plea of guilty of theft. Every detail of this remarkable series of crimes will be investigated by the Attorney-General's representative. Probably a score of warrants will be issued against McGee. Four men alone are known to have lost \$15,000 each. Colin Campbell, the florist, will lose \$16,000, and as a result of the losses has been compelled to assign. Twenty other men will lose about \$4,000 each. Two hundred people will lose sums ranging from \$100 to \$1,500. McGee does not even know, in many cases, which signatures are forgeries and which are genuine. It is believed that his losses will total a quarter of a million dollars. The investigation shows that only a small part of the money has been spent. The question now is, Where is the money?

### CATTLE DYING FAST.

Packs of Hungry Wolves Follow the Herds of Wornout Animals.

A despatch from Medicine Hat, Alta., says: The cattle situation is desperate. Many have died in the streets of the city after drifting in along the trails from the prairie.

A despatch from Macleod says: The outlook on the ranges is becoming day by day more desperate and the cattle are dying thick and fast. The animals are skin and bone, and if the cold weather continues the majority of them will be food for the packs of wolves and coyotes now eagerly haunting the trails of the famished and tired out herds. The great drove of cattle which invaded the town this week came from Little Bow, and other northern points.

### OTTAWA NURSE KILLED.

Miss Margaret Cavan Falls From Window at Water Street Hospital.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Margaret Cavan, aged 24, a nurse in the Water Street Hospital, fell from a window of that hospital at 5.30 on Thursday evening and was taken from the sidewalk dead. It was a French window through which she descended. She had been ill with grippa for a day or two, but doctors had not attended her. Miss Cavan was a native of Thurso, Que.

# CAPTAIN LIABLE; MATE BLAMED

## Verdict of Coroner's Jury for Death of Golspie Sailor.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: "We find that Sydney Neal came to his death from frost, caused by exposing. This exposure was due directly to Capt. Boulton, who drove the said Sydney Neal from shelter when he might have protected him. We also think that Malt McLoud should be severely censured for not sending prompt assistance on his arrival at the mission."

Such was the verdict given on Wednesday night by the coroner's jury on the death of Sydney Neal, one of the sailors of the steamer Golspie, which was wrecked early in December at Bruce Harbor, and who died at the "Soo" hospital from the effects of the subsequent hardships which he, with several others, underwent.

Captains Joseph Gantry and W. C. Barry, of the "Soo" and William Kimball and Joseph Andrews, of Michipicoten, were examined. The captains gave evidence regarding the negotiations that had been carried on between them and

the MacKays for the sending of relief to the Golspie after the wreck. They said that had they been sent up earlier than was the case it would not have prevented the men from being frozen as they were.

William Kimball, of Michipicoten, said that he saw Malt McLoud after he arrived at Michipicoten, the evening the unfortunate sailors who had been with him earlier were left out in the cold. Kimball volunteered to go out and get them, but the mate told him he had made the arrangements.

Joseph Andrews, an Indian, told of being engaged by the mate to go out for the men the next day, of finding them, and of their being taken to the hospital at Michipicoten.

Capt. Boulton and Engineer Andrews, who had been summoned at Hamilton and Collingwood, did not appear to give evidence. Crown Attorney McFadden accordingly decided to give the case to the jury without hearing them.

### LEFT \$5,000,000 TO POOR.

Murdered London Merchant Had an Imposing Funeral.

A despatch from London says: Unusual public interest in the tragic death of William Whiteley, who was shot and killed in his great department store, Jan. 24, by Horace George Raynor, was shown by the scenes at the funeral of the merchant on Wednesday morning. Long before the hour for the ceremony thousands of persons gathered about the Whiteley residence and dense masses lined the streets leading to the church. Most of the shops in the Westbourne Grove district kept their shutters up and over a hundred carriages followed the hearse to the cemetery. Four of these were laden with floral wreaths. According to the newspapers, Mr. Whiteley bequeathed \$5,000,000 to provide almshouses and homes for the aged and deserving poor.

### INVADED BY CONSUMPTIVES.

Calgary Wants a Sanitarium for Eastern Invalids.

A despatch from Calgary says: Calgary has been burdened in a most alarming manner during the last few years, and particularly during the last few months, with a large number of consumptives coming here from eastern Canada. They come here usually with a small amount of money and are unable to work. The result is that they are soon on the hands of the city. They also find great difficulty in getting accommodation. Many heartrending cases are reported every day. At a meeting of the Calgary Board of Trade on Tuesday night a resolution was passed calling upon the Dominion Government to establish a sanitarium some place in the mountains where a cure can be effected in the best form.

### WILL RETAIN WHIPPING POST.

Delaware Legislature Refuses to Abolish It—Good Effect on Crooks.

A despatch from Dover, Del., says: The Delaware Legislature on Tuesday voted to continue the whipping post and public floggings for prisoners convicted of theft, felonious assault, house-breaking and mayhem. The Senate committee reporting on the bill abolishing the whipping post said: "We do not say that the public whipping post is not an extreme punishment, particularly in winter time, but we do say that the whipping post is a fearful thing to gentlemen crooks, robbers, and safe-blowers, for they pass Delaware by so long as they lay the cat upon the culprit's back."

### FIVE MEN KILLED.

Powder Exploded in an Illinois Coal Mine.

A despatch from Marion, Ill., says: By an explosion of powder in the Johnson City and Big Muddy coal mine at Johnson City on Tuesday five men were killed and eleven hurt.

### DEATH LIST NINETY-ONE.

Not a Single Survivor of West Virginia Mine Explosion.

A despatch from Charleston, West Virginia, says: There were 91 men in the Stuart Mine, in Fayette County, where an explosion occurred on Tuesday afternoon. It is not believed any of the men will be taken out alive, the force of the explosion being so terrific as to wreck the entire inner workings. So far the cage in the mine has been lowered 300 feet, or within 150 feet of the bottom. Repairing will have to be done before the cage can be let entirely down. The Stuart Colliery Company has already received 60 coffins and has ordered 25 more. It is thought that the mine is on fire, but this cannot be determined until later. The heat from the shaft is intense and the men could not be reached for a day or so even if the shaft was in working order.

### SPANISH BREAD TROUBLE.

Proposed to Establish Bakeries as a Popular Trust.

A despatch from Madrid, Spain, says: The proposal is unofficially made and influentially supported in the press and elsewhere, to eliminate the everlasting bread trouble by establishing the bakeries as a popular trust, with individual participation at a low price as a possession monthly, the bread being sold at cost price. It is claimed that this would protect the consumer from constant squeezing by the middleman, and stop the perpetual quarrels between the employers and employed.

### PLAGUE IN AUSTRALIA.

Eleven Cases of Bubonic Scourge at Sydney.

A despatch from Sydney, N. S. W., says: There is a recrudescence here of the bubonic plague, which broke out first in February, 1905, and reappeared in March, 1906. Eleven cases, two of which were fatal, have been reported since January 25.

Aid for a million dollar smelter to be erected in the Cobalt district is asked from the Government.

# PRISON GOVERNOR KILLED

## Hated by the Revolutionists for Ill-treating Prisoners.

### RECENT VICTIMS OF TERRORISM.

Prince Nakachidze, at Baku, May 25, 1905.  
Gen. Czernolucki, at Kishineff, June 30, 1905.  
Gen. Vonihararski, at Warsaw, Aug. 27, 1905.  
Gen. Kovloff, at Warsaw, Sept. 12, 1905.  
Gen. Golitschikoff, at Tiflis, Nov. 22, 1905.  
Gen. Polkownikoff, at Pottava, Dec. 1, 1905.  
Vice-Admiral Kuamich, at St. Petersburg, May 14, 1906.  
Gen. Kozloff, at St. Petersburg, July 14, 1906.  
Count Alexis Ignatieff, at St. Petersburg, Dec. 22, 1906.  
Gen. Von de Lantz, at St. Petersburg, Jan. 3, 1907.  
Lieut.-Gen. Pavloff, at St. Petersburg, Jan. 9, 1907.

### CHIEF OF POLICE KILLED.

A despatch from Warsaw, Russian Poland, says: A band of terrorists on Wednesday evening shot and killed Victor Gruen, the chief of the secret police of this city, as he was driving in a cab. The murderers escaped, but the police and troops are searching Warsaw for them and many suspects are being arrested.

### DISORDERS IN ODESSA.

A despatch from Odessa says: There was serious street fighting Friday night in which three policemen were killed and many pedestrians were wounded. Earlier in the day, following the funeral of two murdered policemen, there was a conflict between Jews and members of the Black Hundreds, and many persons on both sides were injured. Troops are patrolling the city at night.

## LEADING MARKETS

### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Wheat—Ontario, No. 2 white, 72c asked outside, 70½c bid; No. 2 red, 71c bid; No. 2 mixed, 70½c asked outside, 70c bid.  
Barley—No. 3 extra, 50c asked outside, 49c bid for 5,000 bushels.  
Peas—No. 2, 81c asked outside, 80c bid.  
Oats—No. 2 white, 38c asked outside, 37c bid.  
Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 hard, 84c to 84½c; No. 1 Northern, 82½c to 83c; No. 2 Northern, nominally 79½c to 80c.  
Flour—No. 3 yellow, 51c to 51½c, Toronto; No. 3 mixed, American, 50½c outside; Ontario, 48c to 49c.  
Buckwheat—52c to 54c.  
Oats—No. 2 white, 37c to 37½c.  
Rye—60c to 70c.  
Flour—Ontario, 90 per cent. patents, \$2.65 asked, \$2.63 bid; Manitoba, first patents, \$1.60; seconds, \$1.40; bakers', \$1.30.  
Bran—Nominally, \$18 to \$20 outside.

### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—The market continues comparatively easy.  
Creamery, prints ..... 26c to 27c  
do solids ..... 23c to 24c  
Dairy prints ..... 22c to 23c  
do tubs ..... 19c to 21c  
Cheese—Quotations are 13½c for large and 14c for twins, in job lots here.  
Eggs—New-laid, 20c; select, 26c to 27c; storage, 24c; limed, 22c.  
Poultry—The market is quiet, with very little demand.  
Chickens, dressed ..... 10c to 12c  
Inferior ..... 8c to 10c  
Fowl ..... 10c to 12c  
Ducks ..... 10c to 12c  
Geese ..... 10c to 11c  
Turkeys ..... 11c to 12c  
Honey—1½c to 1½c per pound for pails and 82c to 85c for combs.  
Beans—\$1.50 to \$1.60 for handpicked, and primes \$1.40 to \$1.45.  
Potatoes—Ontario, 70c to 75c per bag; eastern, 75c to 80c, in car lots here.  
Baled Hay—\$11 to \$11.50 per ton for No. 1 timothy and \$8.50 to \$9 for No. 2 in car lots on track here. Deliveries are not very heavy.  
Straw—\$6.50 to \$7 per ton on track here.

### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 5.—Buckwheat—50c to 51½c per bushel.  
Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, 55c; No. 3 mixed, 53c, ex-store.  
Gals—On spot, No. 2 white, 52½c; No. 4 white, 41½c to 42c; No. 4, 40½c to 41c per bushel, ex-store.  
Peas—Belling, 31c in carload lots, \$1.10 in jobbing lots.  
Flour—Manitoba spring wheat, \$4.25 to \$4.60; strong bakers', \$3.00 to \$4.10; winter wheat patents, \$4.10 to \$4.25; straight rollers, \$3.60 to \$3.70; do in bags, \$1.65 to \$1.75; extras, \$1.50 to \$1.55.  
Milled—Manitoba bran, in bags, \$30 to \$32; shorts, \$22 to \$22.50; Ontario bran, in bags, \$20 to \$21; shorts, \$22 to \$22.50; milled moultie, \$21 to \$22; straight grain, \$28 to \$29 per ton.  
Rolled Oats—No. 2, 81c to 82c in car lots, \$2.10 in jobbing lots.  
Hay—No. 1, \$13.50; No. 2, \$12.50; No. 3 \$11.50; clover, mixed, \$11; pure clover, \$10.50 to \$11 per ton in car lots.  
Provisions—Barrels short cut mess, \$24 to \$25.50; half-barrels, \$11.75 to \$12.50; clear fat hams, \$21 to \$24.50; long cut heavy mess, \$20.50 to \$22; half-barrels do, \$10.75 to \$11.50; dry salted long clear bacon, 12c to 12½c; barrels plate beef, \$11 to \$12.50; half-barrels do, \$6 to \$6.50; barrels heavy mess beef, \$8.50; half-barrels do, \$4.75 to \$5.25; lard, 8½c to 10c; pure lard, 11½c to 12c; kettle rendered, 13c to 13½c; hams, 13c to 14½c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 15c to 16c; Windsor bacon, 15c to 16c; fresh killed rabbit dressed hogs, \$10; alive, \$7 to \$7.25.  
Cheese—October make is now quoted at 13½c to 13½c.  
Butter—Fresh-made creamery, 25c to 25½c; western dairy, selected, 22c to 22½c; Manitoba dairy, 20c to 21c; rolls, 16c to 18c, 22c to 23c, and half-bars, 22c to 22½c.  
Eggs—New-laid quoted at 35c to 40c; selected, 45c to 50c; selected stock at 50c.

### BUFFALO MARKET.

Buffalo, Feb. 5.—Flour—Steady. Wheat—Steady; Spring firm; No. 1 Northern, 82½c; winter nominal. Corn—Strong; No. 2 yellow, 49½c; No. 2 white, 50½c. Oats—Strong; No. 2 white, 42½c; No. 2 mixed, 40½c.

### NEW YORK WHEAT MARKET.

New York, Feb. 5.—Spot firm; No. 2 red, 81½c elevator; No. 2 red, 81½c f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 92c f.o.b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 87½c f.o.b. afloat.

### CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Owing to the influence of a heavy run of cattle at the Western Market buying was somewhat slow.  
Export cattle were reported to be firm on small transactions. The quotations were: Medium exporters, \$4.30 to \$4.60; good, \$4.70 to \$4.95; choice, \$5 to \$5.25 per cwt.  
Trade was not active in any grades of butchers' cattle excepting the best. Best butchers' cattle, \$4.40 to \$4.75; heavy butchers' \$4 to \$4.35; fat cows, \$3.25 to \$3.75; common cows and mixed lots, including canners, \$1.50 to \$3.25 per cwt.  
A limited demand obtained for light stockers and feeders. Stockers, 400 to 800 lbs, \$1.75 to \$3.20; feeders, 850 to 1,050 lbs, \$3.25 to \$3.75; short-keepers, 1,150 to 1,300 lbs, \$3.80 to \$4.20 per cwt.  
Lambs were weaker at \$6 to \$6.75 for grain-fed, and \$4.50 to \$5.50 for common. Export ewes were quoted at \$4.25 to \$5, and export bucks, at \$3 to \$4 per cwt.  
Hogs were steady. Selects sold at \$6.00, and lights and fat at \$6.35 per cwt.  
Milk cows were in fair demand, and prices ruled steady at \$25 to \$60 for each, according to quality.

### COOL CURING OF CHEESE.

The Government Disposes of Two Stations.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A return brought down on Friday, shows that four establishments for the cool curing of cheese were built at the expense of the Government. The one at Woodstock, Ont., cost \$32,000; Brockville, \$25,868; St. Hyacinthe, \$30,953; Cowansville, \$33,001. The number of cheese, respectively, cured in the different establishments last year were as follows: Woodstock, 8,223; Brockville, 12,330; St. Hyacinthe, 10,946; Cowansville, 4,325.  
Owing to the progress which had been made in connection with these establishments in the past five years the Government did not think there was any necessity for further operation by the Department of Agriculture. The establishments at Brockville and Woodstock had therefore been rented for the storing and curing of cheese, while negotiations are now pending for the disposal of the other two.

### DEADLY COAL GAS.

Daniel Cummings Was Asphyxiated at Winnipeg.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Daniel Cummings, aged 22, whose parents reside in Maxville, Ont., was asphyxiated by coal gas on Friday from a faulty furnace at the home of L. Calder, a traveler for the C. Wilson Company, Toronto, where the unfortunate young man had been rooming. Several other occupants of the house had a narrow escape from the same fate.

### DEATH CAME SUDDENLY.

Frank Nellis, of Woodstock, Drops Dead While Chaffing.

A despatch from Woodstock, Ont., says: Mr. Frank Nellis, brother of City Solicitor J. H. Nellis, dropped dead in his study on Sunday evening. Deceased, who was 59 years of age and unmarried, had been in the best of health, and death was entirely unexpected. Heart failure was the cause. The late Mr. Nellis was a member of 49, and was one of Woodstock's best-known citizens.



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### A City of Caravans.

The first of November is the official beginning of winter in Paris. Then, no matter what the temperature be, fires are lit in the schools and public buildings, and the janitor turns on the heat for the sad race of flat dwellers. Then all the smaller shows which cannot pay for a "stand" in the streets or squares go into winter quarters. Where? I found a city of them out in the waste lands by the great gate of Montreuil. In an empty lot were scores of caravans drawn up behind the wooden palisades, ranged so as to form veritable streets, named after this showman or that. Dogs, chickens, rabbits, children, swarmed everywhere. Corkscrews of smoke rose from the chimneys of the wagons. Gaudy rugs were drying on lines. Will you look in one of the vans? It has two rooms. In one are the beds. The other is for eating. On all sides the walls are lined with closets and drawers. A little stove glows near the door. Here they are born, here they live and die, the eternal dynasties of the voyagers.—Vance Thompson in Outing Magazine.

### The Truly Beautiful.

There is, it has been said, no fixed standard of art criticism. What is lauded today is discarded tomorrow, and even connoisseurs disagree bewilderingly; but, glancing back over the ages, it will be found that the discord has been caused by technical divergence and that in every land and among all peoples the truly beautiful has been generally recognized and correctly esteemed. No one questions today the beauty of the Greek temple or the charm of the Babylonian pottery. It does not require trained eyes to recognize the merit of an oriental flower painting or to find delight in one of Whistler's nocturnes. The fundamentals in each instance are the same—rhythmical line, fair proportions and harmonious coloring. We have to be led oftentimes up the ascent of art, and there is much discussion concerning the byways, but once on the height all dissension ends, and we no longer need a guide.—Lella Mechlin in Century.

### Dryden's Ruse.

The story is told that Dryden, finishing his translation of "Virgil," sent it to Jacob Tonson for publication for a sum specified upon the manuscript. Tonson was desirous of obtaining the book, but determined to take advantage of Dryden's need of money. He therefore informed the poet that he could not pay the sum Dryden asked. In reply Dryden sent the following lines in description of the publisher:

With leering look, bull faced and freckled fair,  
With two left legs, with Judas colored hair,  
And frowzy pores that taint the ambient air.

When this was delivered to Tonson he asked if Dryden had said anything more. "Yes," replied the bearer, "he said to tell the dog that he who wrote these lines could write more like them." Tonson sent the money at once.

### Crocodiles and the Cure.

One does not usually connect crocodiles with a health resort—rather the reverse—but the creatures are quite a feature of the Indian bathing place of Manghapur, about nine miles from Karachi. This town is a place of pilgrimage for pious Hindus, but it is chiefly famous for the value of its waters in the cure of the dread scourge of leprosy. The waters are hot, and more than 90 per cent of the sufferers who bathe there annually, it is said, are cured. The crocodiles are rather noteworthy in that they live in the hot water, apparently suffering no inconvenience from its temperature or medicinal qualities.—Wide World Magazine.

### SCIATICA

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### With Against With.

A certain prosy professor of physics is so great a misanthrope that he deliberately announces his lectures for the days when he has reason to think that his students will least want to attend. He commanded their presence on an election day once and drove them nearly wild by delivering a tedious essay on will power.

"If he wills it, a man may accomplish anything," he drowns. "Let him make up his mind not to die, and he will live in spite of disease; let him decide that life is not worth living, and he will drop peacefully out of it. I challenge any student to cite an instance in which the power of the will has not triumphed over everything."

Up shot the reprobate of the class, a youth beloved by all his companions for his daring humor.

"Sir, I accept your challenge. You are wrong," he said.

"Pray mention an example," retorted the professor dryly.

"With pleasure, sir. An hour ago I will that this lecture should be brought to a speedy conclusion. I've willed the same thing sixty times since, but up to now it hasn't come off."

"Nor will it," said the professor, "for I have not only willed that this lecture should last another hour, but am perfectly willing that it should do so." And it did.

### A Miss and a Find.

It was the habit of the Rev. James Spurgeon, grandfather of the great preacher of that name, to pray each evening under a certain oak tree in a secluded wood in Honeywood park. One night he dreamed, the story goes, that Satan appeared and threatened to tear him in pieces if he followed his accustomed route to the tree. There was another path by which he might go in safety. Remembering his dream, Spurgeon felt sorely tempted the next night to take the route in which Satan was not. But this would be to capitulate. Trembling in every limb, he made his way by the path in which the danger lay. He reached his goal in safety and in prayer and song returned thanks for delivery from peril. When his prayer had ended he rose to return. In his path lay a piece of solid gold "as large as a curtain ring." All inquiry failing to discover an owner, he retained it and when he married had his wife's wedding ring made from his curious find.

### A Desperate Wager.

Driven to desperation by their heavy losses, gamblers have often sought by some coup either to repair their shattered fortunes or to bring down utter ruin upon themselves. One of the most curious instances of this kind comes from England. In the eighteenth century a notorious gambler had been losing steadily in a game for high stakes with Lord Lorne. Exasperated by his continued ill fortune, he suddenly sprang up from the card table, seized a large and costly punch bowl and, balancing it above his head, called out to his opponent:

"For once I'll have a bet where I have an equal chance of winning! Odd or even, for 15,000 guineas!"

"Odd!" replied the poor placidly, and the gambler hurled the magnificent bowl against the wall.

When they counted the pieces Lord Lorne had won.

### Warmed by Their Perfume.

According to the results of experiments by Dr. Jean Chalon, aromatic plants charged with essential oils which exhale a perfume that spreads like an atmosphere about them when touched by the rays of the sun are to a slight degree warmed by the presence of this agreeable atmosphere. It acts in retaining the solar heat like the glass covers of a hothouse, although of course far less effectively. Professor Spring has shown that the relatively high temperatures of large cities is probably due, at least in part, to the carbonic anhydride in the air above them acting as a retaining screen for heat rays.

### Spots on Leather.

Oxalic acid in weak solutions is the best thing to use when removing spots from leather. Two or three crystals of oxalic dissolved in warm water, then applied with a bit of cloth to the spots, will do the work. Watch closely, and when the spots begin to disappear apply clear water to overcome the acid, which is a powerful bleach. Dry the leather with a clean cloth. For bright leather make the solution weaker.

### Right in His Line.

Irate Father—I'm getting tired of this nonsense. You've been engaged to that young man for six months. Does he ever intend to marry you? Daughter—You must have patience, papa. Remember, he's an actor. Irate Father—What has that to do with it? Daughter—He's fond of long engagements.

### He Made Them Read It.

Daughter—Have you found out yet what it was that papa cut out of the paper? Mother—Yes. I bought a copy. I've read it all through, but to save my life I can't see anything wrong in it. It's an article on the vulgarity and silliness of buying gowns that are beyond one's means.

### A Man of High Principles.

Scotsman (up for the week end, who has been asked by his friend to go to a music hall)—Na, na, na, na, na, na, I never visit a music hall on th' Saturday, for fear I should land in th' kick on th' Sawbath.—London Opinion

### Adam's Foresightedness.

Though Adam blamed Eve for tempting him to eat apples, it isn't on record that he put a credit for making those first clothes.—Florida Times-Union.

### The Faithful Little Guide.

Oftentimes I have seen a tall ship glide by against the tide as if drawn by some invisible towline with a hundred strong arms pulling it. Her sails hung unfurled; her streamers were drooping; she had neither side wheel nor stern wheel. Still she moved on stately in serene triumph, as if with her own life. But I knew that on the other side of the ship, hidden beneath the great bulk that swayed so majestically, there was a little tugging steam tug with a heart of fire and arms of iron that were hugging it close and dragging it bravely by, and I knew that if the little steam tug untwined her arms and left the tall ship it would wallow and roll about and drift hither and thither and go off with redoubtful tide, no man knows whither. And so I have known more than one genius, high decked, full freighted, wide sailed, gray pennoned, that but for the bare tugging arms and brave, warm-beating heart of the faithful little wife that nestled close to him so that no wind or wave could part them would soon have gone down stream and been heard of no more.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

### A Fatal Sleep.

Hugh Miller, the Scottish geologist and writer, was one of the most illustrious of sleepwalkers. Miller, who had been addicted to somnambulism in his youth, found his restless return while he was engaged upon his "Testimony of the Rocks." He used to wake in the morning feeling, as he said, as if he had been abroad in the night wind, dragged by some invisible power and ridden by witches. On the night of his death he slept alone. In the morning they found him stretched dead on the floor with a bullet through his breast. He had written a note to his wife: "My brain burns. I must have walked, and a fearful dream lay upon me. I cannot bear the horrible thought. My brain burns as the re-collection grows." So intense had been the poor fellow's anguish that to make certain his end he had torn back shirt and vest and placed the muzzle of the pistol to his naked flesh.—St. James' Gazette.

### The Fractured Leg.

A visitor was going through the children's surgical ward of one of the city hospitals when he spied a little fellow with his legs in the air and his weight resting on his head and shoulders. Going closer, he saw that the boy's feet were fastened with ropes which passed through a pulley above. At the other ends of the ropes were weights, just heavy enough to hold the boy's legs in the air without lifting him entirely off the bed.

"What's all that about?" asked the visitor. "Doesn't it hurt him?" "Not at all," answered the physician who was accompanying. "He doesn't look unhappy, does he? That's the way we always handle fractures of the leg with a child. Otherwise the youngsters squirm around so that they work the splints loose. Only one of this boy's legs is injured, but they are both swung in the air for his greater comfort."

### Sorrows of a Humorist.

"This thing of being a humorist is about the saddest thing I know," sighed Simeon Ford. "An ordinary person can have his moods and humors as he pleases, but I must always be on the job. I am constantly being invited out not because I'm liked for myself alone or because of my many beauty, but because I am expected to entertain the assemblage. The rest of the company may be as dull as dishwater, but if I do not shake up the gathering with a few jokes the hostess glares at me and really feels resentful. I may be sunk in the slough of despond, but just as soon as I take my seat all lean forward and eye me expectantly. My son, never get a reputation for being funny. It is the most mournful thing on earth."

### Teeth of Chambermaids.

Have you ever noticed that every chambermaid who has been taking care of the hay and feathers for a number of years is usually devoid of a few teeth of the upper "cane"? Veteran chambermaids can seldom show a full set of upper teeth. The absence of the ivory is explained as follows by a downtown dentist: "The teeth of the maids which I replace with artificial ones are pillowcase teeth. They are constantly used in putting on pillowcases and are not strong enough to stand the strain. Their work is a constant wear and tear on the teeth."

### Her Sponge Cake.

A young bride, after serving to her husband a Sunday dinner that was so-so, said as the milice pie was brought on, "I intended, dear, to have some sponge cake, too, but it has been a total failure." "How was that?" the husband asked in a disappointed tone, for he was fond of sponge cake. "The druggist," she explained, "sent me the wrong kind of sponges."

### Plenty of Advice.

"I wonder what the secret of Solomon's wisdom was?" said Mr. Meekton's wife. "Good advice," replied Leonidas promptly. "He had any number of wives."

### Had Her Doubts.

Mamma—You should be polite, dear, and offer to share your candy with papa. Little Margie—I would, mamma, if I was sure he'd be polite and refuse it.

### Factionous.

Customer—Have you anything that is good for falling hair? Factionous Clerk—How would a wastebasket do?

Be sure you can obey good laws before you alter bad ones.—Ruskin.

### A Thief-taker's Strategy.

When Captain W. E. Weber was a patrolman a clothing store upon his beat was robbed one night. The thief had taken off his own old clothes and left them in the store. He had put on a new suit and worn it away. The old suit was that of a boy about fifteen years old.

Weber gathered up the clothes and took them to the old fire patrol house at Seventh avenue and Wyandotte street. He put them upon the floor and, turning the hose on them, drenched them with water. Then he went down to the junction, where at that time the newsboys congregated in great numbers. He gathered a dozen of them around him.

"Boys," he said, "the police found some clothes down on the river bank this morning. It looks like a boy had been drowned. I want all of you to come up to the fire station and look at the clothes. Maybe you can tell me who they belonged to."

No sooner had the "newsies" gathered around the pile of water soaked clothes than one little fellow spoke up: "Them's Nitty Smith's. I seen him wearin' them red galuses, and he sewed that patch on the knee there hisself."

Other boys corroborated this story. In less than an hour the officer had cornered Nitty and made him confess to the robbery.

### Poisoned With Food.

If one were to say that thousands of people regularly and almost systematically poison themselves with food, it would strike the average layman as extravagant. The opinion of the layman, however, cuts no figure when compared with the scientific deductions of one who has carefully observed the facts. How many people are there who select their food with care, eat it at the right time and in the proper way to secure good digestion and subsequent absorption of just the physiologically correct amount of nutriment required to repair the waste incurred by the duties of everyday life? There are very few. Some starve themselves, but the great majority go to the other extreme and constantly overeat. One eats too much at regular mealtimes, while another eats less, but feeds more frequently. In either case the digestive apparatus is overtaxed.—A Physician in New York World.

### A Robust Ghost.

John Leech and a member of the Millais family once stayed a night at Goudray hall, in England, where many guests being present, the two friends had no alternative but to accept rooms in an isolated wing supposed to be haunted. In the middle of the night Millais awoke, believing that some giant was shaking him violently by the shoulder. This was supposed to be the favorite device of the ghost. He rushed into a corridor and found Leech sitting there trembling and declaring that he would not for the world go back to his room. They spent the remainder of the night in the corridor, but in the morning said nothing of their experiences. In the afternoon there arrived an evening paper telling of a violent earthquake in the locality. The earthquake was what the two visitors believed to be their ghost.

### Valuable Pebbles.

Between the northern point of Long Island and Watch Hill lies a row of little islands, two of which, Plum Island and Goose Island, possess a peculiar form of mineral wealth. It consists in heaps of richly colored quartz pebbles, showing red, yellow, purple and other hues, which are locally called agates. They are used in making stained glass windows, and there is a sufficient demand for them in New York to keep the owners of one or two sloops employed in gathering them from the beaches, where the waves continually roll and polish them, bringing out the beauty of their colors.

### El Dorado.

The modern meaning of El Dorado may be traced as follows: One of Pizarro's men said that he had discovered a land of boundless wealth between the Orinoco and the Amazon. This country was named El Dorado, and many adventures among them, Sir Walter Raleigh endeavored to find it, hence the name has come to mean a golden country of the mind, a fabulous land of fabulous wealth, much as Cocalagne, a fancied land of luxury and idleness.

### Happiness and Hunger.

"My idea of perfect happiness," said the seedy philosopher as he made his fourth round trip to the free lunch counter, "is to be in a position to go into the swellest restaurant, put my hand over the price list of the menu and order what my taste dictates, irrespective of the demands of a diminished wad."

### A Correction.

Bertie—Father, what is an egotist? Father—It is a man who thinks he is smarter than any one else. Mother—My dear, you are scarcely right. The egotist is the man who says that he is smarter than any one else. All men think they are!

### Appropriate.

Young Widow (at the animal seller's)—I want a dog. Animal Seller—Yes, madam; white, gray or bridled? Young Widow—No. Black—all black. I am in deep mourning.

### Has Continuous Life.

Venus—And what do you do when not engaged in archery? Cupid—Oh, I'm kept busy rhyming with stupidity.

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### Death of A. W. Carscallen

A well-known resident of the county passed away at his late residence in Marmora on Tuesday morning, in the person of Alexander Williamson Carscallen, ex-M.P., aged 62 years. He was a son of the late Edward B. Carscallen, of U. E. Loyalist stock, who was on active service as a lieutenant in the Canadian militia during the rebellion of 1837. He was born in the village of Selby in the township of North Hastings, County of Lennox, in 1844. He was educated at the Napanee academy, and at the University of Nashville, Tennessee. In 1874 he was married to Marcia Pringle, who preceded him to the grave a few years ago. By this issue he leaves two children, Frank of Weyburn, Sask., and Mrs. Jas. Parker, wife of the assistant general manager of the Sovereign Bank at Montreal. He was married again a few years ago and his widow survives.

The deceased was quite wealthy. For many years he was a private banker and broker, real estate dealer and lumber merchant in the village of Marmora, and was the original owner of the now celebrated Cordova gold mines. He was also a Justice of the Peace and had been a Councillor and Reeve of his township, and Chairman of the School Board. He was first returned to Parliament for North Hastings at a by-election held on 30th December, 1892, succeeding Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who was appointed to the Senate. He was re-elected at the general election of 1896, and at the time of the re-distribution of the county he did not seek nomination.

### G. T. R. Freight Cars Burned

A fire in the eastern yards of the Grand Trunk Railway at Belleville on Friday night last destroyed between twenty-five and thirty box cars filled with all kinds of freight, causing a loss estimated at over \$50,000. The fire was caused by a locomotive backing forcibly against a freight train it was going to take out, the second car from the engine being an oil tank car. This caused the oil from the tank to shoot out of the valve from the top, and in an instant the oil had caught on some burning waste on the track and it was no time before the fire had spread so rapidly that cars on five different tracks were a mass of flames. To show how rapidly the fire had spread it is only necessary to state that the cab of the engine was badly burned before it could be uncoupled and backed away. In a short time about 25 loaded cars were a mass of flames, and the sight was a magnificent one. The oil from the huge tank had flowed out and the fire spread with lightning rapidity. Being so far distant from any water nothing could be done but let the cars burn, as it would have been dangerous to have taken the burning ones away, owing to the fact that the yard was so filled with cars that they would have ignited others in the vicinity.

The burned cars were all of the largest size, and were all filled. There were cars of corn, oats, baled cotton, paper, and general merchandise, and the fire will doubtless cause a lot of inconvenience to the Grand Trunk officials, as well as to the consignors and those to whom the freight was consigned.

### Copper Hard as Steel

John Berlien, the St. Louis youth who announced last week that he had discovered the secret of tempering copper to the hardness of steel has suddenly found himself famous. Investment companies, hardware dealers, and capitalists all over the country have wired him, offering big sums for the secret. Berlien says he has refused to negotiate with any of them, because he hopes to get the \$100,000 that he has been told has been offered by the Government to the first man who could harden copper. Scientists have long tried to discover the process for hardening copper. Owing to the fact that it will not rust, it would make ideal tools and also armor plates for battleships.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite

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### Government Grant for Bridges

At the last session of the county council a deputation was appointed, consisting of Warden Kirk, Dr. Harper, County Treasurer Mallory, Mr. Dryden, County Clerk Aylesworth and Mr. A. F. Wood to go to Toronto and interview the Government to endeavor to secure a grant towards rebuilding and making permanent some of the large bridges throughout the county, from the \$1,000,000 fund appropriated by the late Ross Government for the purpose of keeping up county roads and bridges. The deputation went to Toronto on Tuesday and returned highly pleased with the result of their visit. They were accompanied by Mr. Stanley Vandervoort, who happened to be in Toronto at the time.

Messrs. Morrison and Pearce, in the absence of Mr. Rathbun, had arranged for the deputation to meet the Hon. Dr. Reame, Minister of Public Works, and they met him at eleven o'clock on Thursday. The deputation asked for the sum of \$150,000 for the purpose of rebuilding the large wooden bridges which were now damaged, and to build in their stead permanent iron bridges.

The Minister heard them kindly and attentively, but could make no promise more than that he would lay the case before the Government, but the deputation came away feeling that the result of their visit will be profitable.

A little bit of history of the way this county assumed control of the roads will probably prove interesting:

In the year 1855 the county council of Hastings submitted a bylaw to the people and started a system of county roads. The bylaw authorized the establishment of 100 miles of roads. The county council soon after borrowed the sum of \$240,000 from the Municipal Loan Fund, paying the rate of 6 per cent thereon. Then in 1860 the county council issued county debentures to the amount of \$60,000 and bought up all the company roads in the county and made them free of tolls. This proved a great boon to this city as well as to the farmers. There have been no toll-gates on any road in the county since that time, and this was the first county in the province to abolish toll roads, and the deputation as well as the residents of the county think Hastings is justly entitled to a grant from the big fund donated for the purpose of good roads.—Ontario.

### Madoc Junction Items.

Miss E. Eggleton of Watertown, is visiting Mrs. A. W. Andrews.

Mr. F. Stapley is busy sawing wood in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Alexander is spending a couple of months with her daughter in Tweed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Juby of Stirling spent a day last week with their daughter, Mrs. Wm. French.

We are pleased to know that Mrs. Geo. Clarke and little daughter Mildred are slowly improving.

Mrs. E. Bennett has returned home after spending a week with Mrs. Fitzpatrick of Halloway, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Clarke have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. Benedict of Hoard's Station.

Miss Annie Clarke of Stirling is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jas. Clarke.

Mrs. Albert Eggleton, while in the barn gathering eggs, had a bad fall, but we are pleased to say she is somewhat better.

Mr. Herman Bennett is spending a few days with his uncle at Wellman's Corners.

Mr. Wm. Fitchett is busy drawing ice.

Miss Annie Tweedie has returned home after spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. W. S. Clarke.

A good many in the neighborhood have a gripe and bad colds.

### Neglected Colds Threaten Life

[From the Chicago Tribune.]

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary light cold will become severe if neglected, and a well-established ripe cold is to the germs of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by Morton & Haigh.

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1 Men's Marmot-lined Coat, German Otter Collar, black Beaver shell, size 38, value \$35.00, on sale at \$25.00  
1 Men's Rat-lined Coat, indigo dyed Beaver shell, Persian Lamb Collar, value \$60.00, on sale at \$40.00

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## OR, A SAD LIFE STORY

### CHAPTER XX.

There is always something in the nature of a mountain in a night that is interposed between us and either any promised pleasure or any threatened pain. In the case of pleasure, we are naturally in a hurry to scale it, in order to see how full of sunshine and flowers is the happy valley on the other side; and in the case of pain, we are scarcely less eager to ascertain how deep is the abyss, how choking the swamp, how angry the waves that wait us beyond the dusky hill.

Burgoyne has no expectation of finding anything agreeable on the further slope of his mountain, and yet the time seems long to him, till he has climbed the crest, and slides down its other side. Early and splendid as is the new light that takes possession of him and his shutterless bedroom, he upbraids it as a laggard; and the hours that pace by till the one appointed for the explanation of yesterday's mystery seem to him like a hobble on crutches. He does not realize that he has to say to him that needs such a pomp of preparation? What can have turned Amelia into a Tragedy Queen? What miracle can have made her take the imperative mood? For it was the imperative mood unquestionably which, contrary to all precedent, she had made use of when she had commanded him, most gently it is true, since, being by her nature gentle, she can do nothing ungentle, to leave her. He absolutely laughs at the topsy-turveness of the idea. What can she have to say that requires so carefully selected a spot to say it in—a spot where "it" does not matter if she does break down? What, in Heaven's name, can she be going to say that inspires her with such a cold-blooded intention beforehand of breaking down?

Jim's state of mind is something that of the Baron's in "On ne badine pas avec l'amour," on hearing that his daughter's governess had been turning somersaults in a field of huzume. "Non, en verite, non, non, non, je n'y comprends absolument rien. Tout cela me parait une conduite desordonnee, il est vrai, mais sans motif comme sans excuse." If she were any other woman, he should ascribe her behavior to some tiresome but passing tantrum, evoked by his delay in appearing? But in the past eight years how many hundreds times he has kept her waiting? and has she ever failed to meet him with the same meek good-humor that has not had even a tinge of reproachful forgiveness in it. As she herself had said, "In all these years how often have I been angry with you?" He has been angry with her on a thousand unjust and unkind counts; angry with her

for her slowness, her bad complexion, her want of sense of humor; for a hundred things which she cannot help, that she would have altered—oh, how gladly—if she could! But how often has she been angry with him? In vain he searches his memory, he tries to overtake some instance of ill-humor, or even petulance, that may make the balance between them hang a little more equal. But in vain. She has never been angry with him. And even now neither her face nor her manner—whichever also of strange and unparalleled they may have conveyed—have conveyed the idea of anger.

But if not anger, what then can be the cause that has produced a change so startling to one so little given to impulsive action or eccentricities of emotion? Can she have heard anything about him? anything to his discredit? He searches his memory, but whether it be that the organ is not a particularly sensitive one, or that it really has no damaging facts to give up, it is silent, or almost so. He has perhaps been rather slack in his attendance upon her of late, but at her bidding. At his visits to the Le Marchants, as they so obviously have been by philanthropy; and his conversations with Elizabeth—how few and scant! his heart heaves a rebellious sigh at their paucity—might be proclaimed without exultation at the market cross. Our thoughts are our own, and are, moreover, so safely packed in our minds that he does not think it worth while to inquire whether, if his future wife could have looked in and seen the restive fancies capering saddleless and bridless, there, she might have been justified in assuming a crouching attitude and a sorrowfully commanding manner.

He is as far as ever from solving the problem, when—for once in his life before his time at the rendezvous—he presents himself at the familiar door. It is opened to him by Amelia herself. She has often done it before, seeming to know by instinct his ring from that of any other person, but to-day the familiar action disconcerts him. He had expected to be received with a formality and pomp of woe such as yesterday had seemed to threaten; and here is Amelia, as usual, like her ordinary self, except that she is perhaps rather more carefully dressed than usual; but that may be due to the fact of her having, for the first time, assumed the fresh calico gown, which the high summer of the Italian April morning seems to justify. Whether it be due to the calico gown or not, there is an indisputable air of gala about her, and she is smiling. A revulsion of feeling comes over the man, to whom her tragic semi-swooning airs had given a wakeful night. It was a tantrum after all, then, a storm in a teacup. And now her common sense has come to the rescue, and she has seen the folly of quarrelling with her bread and butter. These reflections naturally do not translate themselves into responsive smiles on his face, but she does not seem to notice his sour looks.

"I have a proposal to make to you," she says smiling. "Father is so well this morning, quite easy, and he has been wheeled into the sitting-room, to see Sybil. She has been very good about him this time, and quite believes that he has been really bad."

"How good of her," comments Jim grimly; "it will be so easy and so amusing to play at having a swollen toe, would not it?"

"And so," continues Miss Wilson, wisely ignoring his leer at her sister, "I am perfectly free, and I want you to take me somewhere, some little drive or expedition; you see," with a conciliatory glance at her own modest finery, "I counted upon your saying 'yes'."

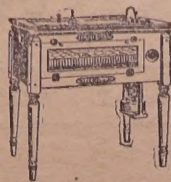
Amelia is not the type of woman who gives every word of this sentence confirms Burgoyne in the idea implanted by her first address. This is her amende, and she is quite right to make it. But she would have been more right still if her conduct had not rendered it necessary.

Amelia is not the type of woman who, through life will gain much by route; perhaps, by-and-by, very kindly and delicately, he may obliquely hint this to her. But all that she says about is the rather stiff acquiescence conveyed in the words: "By all means. I am quite at your service."

"And now where shall we go?" continues Amelia, shutting the door behind her and beginning to cross the hotel courtyard at his side; "that is the next thing—not to any gallery or church, I think, if you do not mind; I say such stupid things about Art, and the more I try, the stupider they are; let us go somewhere into the country—I am not afraid of saying stupid things about it."

Into Burgoyne's mind comes the odious thought that he would not put it past his betroth to say stupid things even about the Tuscan landscape, but he only awaits her decision in a respectful silence while helping her into a fiacre.

"It would be a sin to be under any roof to-day but this one," she says, looking up to the immeasurable azure bridge above her head; "would you mind—could you spare time to go to Fiesole?" His only answer is to repeat the word to the driver, who, with the inevitable tiny poodle-shaven dog beside him, is awaiting the order as to his destination. It is but a little way to Fiesole, as we all know, but yet, as the slow hand vehicle crawls up the steep ascent with the driver walking alongside, or even lagging behind, there would be time and opportunity to say a good deal. But Amelia says next to nothing. Perhaps the heat makes her sleepy, for it is so hot, so hot between the garden walls, where the rose bridges are beginning to show a pale flush of pensive pink



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among their multitude of green buds. Young, indeed, just born in the roses, the highway dust has already powdered them with its ash-toned white. He does not know it at the time, but those dust-flecked rosebuds have found a home in his memory from which no after-sights, however numerous, will dislodge them. They have reached the village, and left their carriage, and begun, silently still, to ascend the steep line up which the feet of most of Europe and America have in turn climbed to see the famous view that rewards the little effort. Past the cottages, whose inmates, leaning idly against their doorposts, have probably seen all that is illustrious, notorious, history-making of the day, pass pantingly. Is there a prime minister, a princess, a poet, a prima donna, of the time, that has not loitered up the steep path to the high plateau, or the hill-side? Jim and Amelia are certainly not likely to figure in the annals of their time, but the peasants look at them with as much or as little interest as if they were. An immortal, unless his immortality is printed in his back in letters as large as those that announce Colman's mustard to the world, has, to the vulgar, very much the air of one of themselves.

Our friends have reached the haven of the stone seat, and, thanks to the earliness of the hour, have it all to themselves, save for a trio of sunburnt women of old people with handkerchiefs over their foreheads, who tease them to buy straw hand-screens. And when they have bought a couple, and made it kindly but distinctly evident that no amount of worrying will induce them to buy any more, even these leave them in peace and descend the hill again in search of never victims. They are alone under the sky's warm azure. Beneath their eyes spreads one of those nobly lovely spectacles that Italy and spring, hand in hand, alone can offer. To some, indeed, it may seem that the prospect from the Belvedere side of the valley is even more beautiful, since Fiesole, sitting so high as she does, dwarfs the opposite hills, and makes the lovelier loss of never victims. They are alone in comparison, the plain appears wider, the beloved city more distant, and does not show the same exquisite distinctness of separate tower and spire and palace. But yet such a comparison is mere carping. Who can wish for a sight more divinely suave and fair than this from the bench above Fiesole? Not a breath of smoke dares to hang about the glorious old town, dimming its bastions and between them and it what a spread of manifest color, of more "mingled hue" than the rainbow's "purpled scarf doth show." The mossy tiled olives, twilight and ghostly, even in the dazzling radiance of this superb morning hour, with the blinding green of the young corn about their grey feet, the cypress taper-flames, the gay white houses, terraced and garlanded, and above all, the vast mist of the Tuscan heaven.

At first Amelia's muteness seems natural and grateful to Jim, as the outcome of the awe and hush that exceeding beauty breathes on the human heart, but by-and-by, as it is prolonged beyond the limits that seem to him fit or agreeable, it begins to get on his nerves. After having so genuinely and wantonly alarmed him, has she brought him here, without any expressions of regret or remorse, simply to steep herself in a silent luxury of selfish enjoyment? After brooding resentfully on his idea for a considerable time he translates it into speech.

"I thought that you had something to say to me?"

"It seems as if her soul had gone out into the sun and April-painted champagne country, and that it is only with an effort and a sigh that she fetches it home again."

"So I have."

"How much longer am I to wait for it?"

There is no indication of any capacity for patience in his tone.

She brings her look back from the shining morning city, and fixes it wistfully upon him.

"As you say a hurry to hear?"

"I do not know what you call hurry," he replies drily, "I have been awaiting this mysterious utterance for sixteen or seventeen hours."

Her allow cheek takes on a pinky tinge of mortification at his accent.

"You are quite right," she answers quickly; "I have no business to keep you waiting. I meant to tell you as soon as we got here; I asked you to bring me here on purpose, only—"

"You told me that you must make the communication at some place where it would not matter if you did 'break down,'" says he, rather harshly helping her memory; "you must allow that that was not an encouraging exhortation. Do you look upon this—glancing ironically round—"as a particularly suitable place for breaking down?"

Again that pain-evidencing wave of color flows into her face. There is such an unloving mockery in his displeased voice.

"I shall not break down," she replies, forcing herself to speak with quiet composure; "you need not be afraid that I shall 'break down' yesterday I was foolish enough to say the very words you quote, but I was not quite myself then; I did not quite know what I was saying; I had only just heard it."

"If? What if? Is this a new riddle? For Heaven's sake let us hear the answer to the first before we embark on any fresh one!"

"It is no riddle," replies she, her low patient tones contrasting with his exasperated ones, "nothing could be plainer; it was only that I happened to overhear something rather—rather painful—something that was not intended for me."

His angry cheek blanches as his thought flies arrow-quick to the one subject of his personal apprehension. Some one has been poisoning her ear with cowardly lies, or yet more dreadful truths about Elizabeth Le Marchant. For a moment or two his tongue cleaves to the roof of his mouth, then he says in a lone which he uses to try to make one of calm contempt alone:

"If you had lived longer in Florence, you would know how much importance to attach to its title-tattle and canons."

She shakes her head with a sorrowful obstinacy.

"This was no little-tattle, no canon."

Her answer seems but to confirm him in this horrible suspicion.

"It is astonishing," he says, in a strangled voice, "how ready even the best women are to believe evil; what—what evidence have you of the truth of—of these precious stories?"

"What evidence?" she repeats, fastening her sad eyes upon him—"the evidence of my own heart. I realize now that I have known it all along."

Read by the light of his fears, this response is so enigmatic that it dawns upon him with a flash of inexpressible solace that perhaps he may be on the wrong track after all. His ideas are precipitated into such a state of confusion by this blessed possibility that he can only echo in a stupefied tone:

"Have known what all along?"

She has turned round upon the stone bench upon which they have hitherto been sitting side by side, and as he in the eagerness of his listening has done the same thing, they are now opposite to one another, and he feels as well as sees her hungry eyes devouring his face.

"That you are sick of me," she answers, in a heart-wrung whisper, "sick to death of me—that was what she said."

It is impossible to deny that Burgoyne's first impulse is one of relief. It has been mistaken then, Elizabeth's secret is in the same state of precarious safety as her enemy's departure from Florence had left it in. His second impulse—our second impulses are mostly best ones, equally free from the headlongness of our first, and the cold worldly wisdom of the third—is one of genuine indignation, concern, and amazement.

"What? Who said?"

"Mrs. Byng."

His stupefaction deepens.

"Mrs. Byng—Mrs. Byng told you that I was sick of you? Sick to death of you?"

"Oh, no," she cries, even her emotion giving way to her eagerness to correct this misapprehension, "she did not tell me so! How could you imagine such a thing? She is far too kind-hearted, she would not hurt a fly intentionally."

He would be so exceedingly pained if she thought I had overheard her."

(To be continued.)

## THE DOMINION BANK.

### Proceedings of the Thirty-Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DOMINION BANK was held at the Banking House of the Institution, Toronto, on Wednesday, January 30th, 1907.

Among those present were noticed—

Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Pellatt, Dr. Andrew Smith, Dr. C. O'Reilly, Messrs. W. D. Matthews, James Carruthers, Wm. Ross, W. B. Brock, J. J. Foy, A. Monro Grier, J. J. Dixon, L. H. Baldwin, W. Glenney (Oshawa), Aemilius Baldwin, P. J. Harris, W. C. Harvey, W. J. Dixon, J. G. Ramsey, W. Crocker, R. Mulholland, P. Leadley, W. G. Crowther, Jas. Matthews, David Kidd (Hamilton), W. T. Ramsay, R. M. Gray, J. T. Small, S. Samuel, J. A. Proctor, W. Cecil Lee, G. N. Reynolds, V. G. Casser, Wm. Davies, J. J. Phillips, H. Gordon Mackenzie, J. Gordon Jones, H. J. Christie, H. B. Hodgins, S. Noxon, I. Standish, David Smith, A. W. Austin, H. W. A. Foster, Cavitha Mulock, F. D. Benjamin, Jas. Scott, F. H. Goch, A. B. Boswell, J. F. Kavanagh, A. Foulds, E. C. Burton, Victor Cawthra, W. Mulock, Jr., F. J. Stewart, A. H. Campbell, Jr., J. D. Trees, A. Bell, Richard Brown, C. A. Bogert, and others.

Mr. W. D. Matthews, seconded by Mr. F. D. Benjamin, that Secretary, Messrs. A. B. Boswell and W. G. Casser were appointed Scrutinizers.

The Secretary read the Report of the Directors to the Shareholders, and submitted the Annual Statement of the affairs of the Bank, which is as follows—

#### To the Shareholders:

The Directors beg to present the following Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 31st December, 1906—

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th December, 1905 . . . \$240,437 57  
Profit for the year ending 31st December, 1906, after deducting charges of management, etc., and making provision for bad and doubtful debts . . . 539,360 36

Dividend 3 per cent., paid 2nd April, 1906 . . . \$30,000 00 \$788,798 33

Dividend 3 per cent., paid 3rd July, 1906 . . . 80,000 00

Dividend 3 per cent., paid 1st October, 1906 . . . 90,000 00

Dividend 3 per cent., payable 2nd January, 1907 . . . 90,000 00

Transferred to Reserve Fund . . . 400,000 00 769,000 00

Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward . . . \$28,798 33

#### RESERVE FUND.

Balance at credit of account, 30th December, 1905 . . . \$3,500,000 00

Transferred from Profit and Loss Account . . . 400,000 00

\$3,900,000 00

With great regret we have to record the sudden death in May last of Mr. Theodore G. Brough, the late General Manager, who had been in the service of the Bank continuously since 1875. He was the Chief Executive Officer for seven years, during which short time he accomplished much for the development and welfare of the Institution.

Mr. C. A. Bogert, Manager of the Montreal Branch for eight years, and who entered the Bank more than twenty-five years ago, was appointed to succeed him.

On account of the continued expansion of the business of the Bank, your Directors have decided that it is an opportune time to issue the remaining one million dollars of authorized Capital Stock; and having in view future requirements which may reasonably be expected, have approved of a by-law to be submitted for your consideration at the Annual Meeting, which provides for a further increase in the Capital Stock to the extent of one million dollars. This will make the total authorized Capital five million dollars.

You will also be asked to consider a by-law increasing the number of Directors from seven to nine which it is thought to be advisable owing to the diversity of our interests throughout Canada, and the gradual extension of our operations.

During the twelve months just closed Branches of the Bank were established at the following points, and, when expedient, desirable sites were purchased and suitable offices erected—In the Province of Ontario, at Chatham, Dresden, Peterborough, Tilbury, Windsor, and in Toronto, at the corners of Avenue Road and Davenport Road and Queen street and Broadview avenue; in the Province of Alberta, at Calgary and Edmonton, and at Regina, Sask.

In addition we have to inform you that in December last the private banking business of Messrs. John Curry & Company, at Windsor, was acquired under terms advantageous to the Shareholders, which transaction included the purchase of a commodious building, well situated in this important centre.

It was found necessary to provide larger premises for our North End Branch, Winnipeg, and for this purpose a valuable property has been secured.

The Directors, following their usual custom, examined the Securities and Cash Reserves of the Bank as on December 31st, 1906, and found them to be correct; they also verified the Head Office Balance Sheet, including all accounts kept with Foreign Agents.

Every Office of the Bank has been carefully inspected during the past twelve months, and each Branch has been visited by the General Manager since his appointment in May last.

The Report was adopted.

E. B. OSLER, President.

By-laws were passed increasing the number of Directors from seven to nine, and providing for an increase of \$1,000,000 in the Capital Stock, which will make the total authorized Capital of the Bank \$5,000,000.

The thanks of the Shareholders were tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors for their services during the year, and to the General Manager and other Officers of the Bank for the efficient performance of their respective duties.

The following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year—Messrs. A. W. Austin, W. B. Brock, James Carruthers, R. J. Christie, T. Eaton, J. J. Foy, K. C. M. L. A. Wilmot, D. Matthews, A. M. Nanton and E. B. Osler, M.P.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., was elected President, and Mr. Wilmot D. Matthews, Vice-President, for the ensuing term.

### GENERAL STATEMENT.

#### LIABILITIES.

Notes in Circulation . . . \$2,011,086 00

Deposits not bearing interest . . . 85,361,018 53

Deposits bearing interest (including interest accrued to date) . . . 31,512,137 94

Deposits by other Banks in Canada . . . 106,876 57

Balance due to London Agents . . . 193,340 76

Total Liabilities to the Public . . . \$21,401,345 81

Capital Stock paid up . . . 3,000,000 00

Reserve Fund . . . 85,361,018 53

Balance of Profits carried forward . . . 28,798 33

Dividend No. 27, payable 2nd January, 1907 . . . 107 25

Former Dividends unclaimed . . . 61,444 74

Reserved for Exchange, etc. . . 122,083 15

Reserved for rebate on Bills Discounted . . . 4,203,033 47

\$49,024,379 29

#### ASSETS.

Specie . . . \$1,110,131 11

Dominion Government Demand Notes . . . 9,465,530 00

Deposit with Dominion Government for Security of Note Circulation . . . 150,000 00

Notes and Cheques on other Banks . . . 2,113,531 39

Balances due from other Banks in Canada . . . 1,052,744 48

Balances due from other Banks elsewhere than in Canada and the United Kingdom . . . 1,121,300 69

Provincial Government Securities . . . \$20,327 07

Canadian Municipal Securities and British or Foreign

or Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian . . . 606,130 79

Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks . . . 2,149,265 07

Loans on Call secured by Stocks and Debentures . . . 8,703,134 60

Bills Discounted and Advances Current . . . \$32,015,207 70

Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for) . . . 20,510 40

Bank Premises . . . 950,000 00

Other Assets not included under foregoing heads . . . 7,433 70

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C. A. BOGERT, General Manager

## Mrs. Cora B. Miller Makes a Fortune

Started a Few Years Ago with No Capital, and Now Employs Nearly One Hundred Clerks and Stenographers.

Until a few years ago Mrs. Cora B. Miller lived in a manner similar to that of thousands of other very poor women of the average small town and village. She now resides in her own palace of brown-stone residence, and is considered one of the most successful business women in the United States.

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## CURRENT TOPICS.

While the nose has always been a conspicuous feature of the human face, it has not usually been considered an interesting one. It is rarely ornamental, and its usefulness, in a general sense, is limited to the enjoyment of pleasant perfumes and the detection of unpleasant ones. A recent case in a Philadelphia court has revealed the dire possibility that the nose played a part in making criminals. One Mary Laughlin was arrested in that city for theft. When arraigned before the magistrates she confessed her guilt and then sought to exonerate it by declaring that the smell of beefsteak while it is cooking arouses in her an irresistible desire to steal. The smell of other things variously affects her. That of baked apples, for instance, stimulates a devotional feeling. A physician who appeared as a witness for her testified that he could throw her into hysterical conditions by placing verbera or bergamot under her nose, in which state her antics were not unlike those of Tom or Tabby when they smell catnip.

This scientific discovery suggests many possibilities. A college savant the other day exposed himself to feminine wrath and ridicule by saying that the sex was destitute of the sense of smell, but here is one of her sex who has the sense to smell developed in such an extraordinary degree that her nose has become a medium of emotional expression, and in such gradations that a slight change of odor causes her to shift from stealing to praying, with the alarming result that if she likes beefsteak better than baked apples she will do much more stealing than praying.

How to cure her is a difficult problem, for the emotional possibilities of her nose are extraordinary. Chronic catarrh might relieve her. Some small germ may yet be discovered which will prove to be an antidote. The danger in this case is its criminal features. Odors heretofore have not been considered dangerous and have rarely produced any other display of emotion than that of anger when a garlic or musk blend passes, or the southwest wind is laden with the smells of the rendering tanks. But if the smell of a good beefsteak shall lead to theft it is time for the scientists and sociologists to give some attention to the nose, which has been greatly neglected by poets and scientists. The eyes may witness and the ears may hear of and the mouth condemn crime, but if the nose is an agency for its commission it is time to investigate.

In the mills of Japan the operatives swarm. Nearly all are women and girls—the great majority girls who, as a rule, work only from six to eighteen months, or long enough to purchase their wedding outfit. In the management of the mill there is a part survival of the old feudal system, the paternal method whereby the man at the head is the father of his people and responsible for their welfare. Some companies build dormitories in the Japanese style, which are in the form of squares, with a court in the center and two stories high. Each set of girls is in the care of a matron. The buildings and surroundings are clean, well lighted, and convenient. A hospital with regular sections and nurses is provided, also a hospital for infectious diseases. A large, open story, cement floor room is filled up for a dining hall. There is no Sunday rest, but the majority of mills have two holidays—the 1st and the 15th. The engine in many starts at 6 o'clock the morning of the 2nd and runs continuously until 6 o'clock the morning of the 15th, then starts at 5 o'clock the morning of the 16th and runs continuously until 6 o'clock the morning of the 1st. This is near perpetual motion as men and machines can stand. The hands take thirty minutes for dinner in rotation, and spare hands take the place of each batch, so there is no stop for dinner. Some mills have come to see the material good that comes from having one day in seven for rest and observe four rest days every month, in addition to about ten national holidays through the year.

## HOW ICEBERGS ARE BORN.

The birth of a huge iceberg, a phenomenon that has been seen only once or twice by a European, and to a certain extent has remained a matter of mystery, was observed by the Danish explorer on the coast of Greenland some time since. The bergs are formed by breaking off from the end of glaciers extending from the perpetual ice of the unexplored interior to the coast and into the sea. The water buoy up the sea end of the glacier until it breaks by its own weight with a terrific crash. The consumption of the water, as the iceberg turns balance, is left to a great distance along the coast. The natives regard it as the work of evil spirits, and believe that it looks upon the glacier in its throes as death.

If some artists see things as they paint them they should quit drinking.

## STORY OF COUTTS'S BANK

### A GREAT BANKER WHO MARRIED A HOUSEMAID.

Late Baroness Burdett-Coutts Was a Favorite Granddaughter of Thomas Coutts.

The death of that grand old lady, the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, has set all the world talking about the famous bank from which she acquired her fabulous wealth. In the annals of the commercial world it is doubtful if a more remarkable story can be found than that connected with the banking house of Messrs. Coutts & Co. Business success and love and romance are intermingled in a manner stranger than any fiction ever written.

Almost two centuries ago James Coutts—the eldest son of John Coutts, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, who started the first private banking house in Scotland—came to London and became a partner in the banking firm of Campbell & Coutts, in the city. Six years later Campbell died, and James was joined by his brother Thomas, the "shabby little man" who was once mistaken for a beggar, who married his brother's housemaid, Betty Slarky, and on her death espoused an actress, Harriet Mellon. Three of his daughters became the wives of the Earl of Guilford, the Marquess of Bute and Sir Francis Burdett.

Evidently Thomas Coutts was a firm believer in the old saying: "Look after the pence; the pounds will take care of themselves."

Meeting an old school friend, he asked him to dinner and gave him a sumptuous repast. Next day his friend met Coutts at the bank to arrange some business accounts, and on balancing them it was found that

### THE SUM OF ONE PENNY

was due to Thomas Coutts. His friend laughed and said:

"Of course, you won't want me to pay you that penny?"

"Pardon me, I do," said Coutts.

"What!" cried his friend, "you give me a sumptuous dinner one day, and ask me for a penny the next?"

"Excuse me," said Coutts, "if I had not been so particular in getting my penny I should not have been able to give you any dinner at all, my friend."

Thomas Coutts had a shrewd eye to business. Hearing a banker relate at his own table how a certain nobleman had asked for a loan of £30,000, which the banker said he had refused to give him, the moment his guest had related, and requested the favor of an interview with the peer at his bank the next day. On the nobleman arriving, Coutts at once tendered him the £30,000 in notes. The nobleman was surprised, and remarked that he found he only required £10,000 at present. He begged, however, Coutts to place the remaining £20,000 to the credit of an account which he forthwith opened with Coutts' bank, and which proved an extremely lucrative one. The nobleman shortly afterward paid £200,000 into it, besides recommending Coutts' bank to all his friends, including George III., who, with Queen Charlotte, honored it with their patronage.

Thomas Coutts had a rare knack of making powerful friends. Coutts became a royal bank after George III. opened his account there while among foreign royalties Louis Philippe, the King of the Belgians, the King of Portugal, the Shah, the late Empress of Mexico, and the late Empress Frederick have all been customers. The ex-empress Eugenie also banks at Coutts's, and was often to be seen entering the doors of

### THE FAMOUS OLD HOUSE.

Among thousands of other nobilities who banked there were Lord Nelson, the Duke of Wellington, Pitt, Fox, Sir Walter Scott, Lord Macaulay, Charles Dickens and Benjamin West. In fact, the old ledgers contain what would make the most wonderful collection of autographs in existence.

Except to increase the success of the bank Thomas Coutts was quite devoid of any ambition; for while his brother James became a member of Parliament, Thomas worked hard amassing a large fortune, and was quite content to spend his spare time at the theatre. Match-making among the nobles was his hobby for him, until in disgust they turned him "the most cold-blooded animal that Scotland ever produced."

What was their amazement, therefore, when they learned that he had actually married Betty Slarky, his brother's housemaid. Even his brother, however, James grew angry. "At Thomas did not care a brass button for the world's opinion. Betty had all the virtues he looked for in a wife—cleanliness, industry, good humor, and modesty of demeanor."

But although Thomas Coutts considered that great happiness for himself was to be found in a humble marriage, he evidently held different views in regard to his daughters, who, on marrying, became respectively Lady Francis Burdett, the Countess of Guilford, and the Marchioness of Bute. The youngest daughter of Lady Francis Burdett and the favorite granddaughter of Thomas Coutts. It was because of the latter fact that when his second wife—who after having married the Duke of St. Albans, died, she left the bulk of her fortune to Miss Angela Burdett, who thus, at twenty-three years of age, became a millionaire.

### THE SECOND MARRIAGE.

Of Thomas Coutts was a no less romantic affair than the first. It has already been mentioned that the banker sought relaxation at the theatre, and it was at Drury Lane that he first became smitten with the charms of Harriet Mellon, who was forty-five years his junior, and generally considered to be the handsomest actress on the stage. Surely the romance of life was never more extraordinary than in Harriet Mellon's case. The daughter of a strolling player, she won for herself a place among the leading actresses of the Georgian era. She became the wife of the richest banker in London, and finally a duchess in the peerage of Great Britain.

Despite the disparity in age, Thomas Coutts and Harriet Mellon lived a very

happy married life together for seven years, and it is a striking proof of the banker's devotion to his second wife that he not only allowed her to spend forty thousand pounds, chiefly among the charities in which she was interested, during the first year of their marriage, but when he died left to his actress wife all the wealth of which he was possessed. This was in 1832, and five years after the banker's death his widow married the ninth Duke of St. Albans. She died in 1873, and with a nobleness of mind which proves that the maxim "Noblesse oblige" may actually one risen from the ranks as well as one born in the purple, she gave back to the Coutts family the entire estate she had received from it, her heiress, as already mentioned, being the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who has made such a noble use of the fortune she thus acquired from the good-hearted Harriet Mellon.

Many stories, more or less true, have been told of Thomas Coutts's eccentricity in regard to dress. The following, taken from Mr. Ralph Richardson's book on "Coutts & Co.," is, perhaps, the most amusing:

### BROWN COTTON STOCKINGS.

That hung loosely around his legs, took his seat on a bench near the Pavilion. A benevolent and somewhat eccentric old lady happened to be passing, and seeing what she imagined to be a miserably poor old man in distressed circumstances seated on the bench, she advanced toward him and said:

"My good man, you appear to have seen better days. Here's a trifle to buy you a breakfast." Whereupon she handed him a token for five shillings issued by Coutts's Bank. Then she continued:

"I will also show you a get your dinner for you among my friends."

Thomas Coutts thanked his benefactress profusely, and said he would be sure to be found upon the same bench at dinner time. He then bowed profoundly to the lady and returned to the Pavilion, whence, in the course of dinner, he slipped away and resumed his former position on the bench.

Presently the benevolent lady reappeared, and with a number of lady friends.

"Ah," she cried, "there's my distressed old man! There sits the poor old fellow for whom I asked your charity."

"That!" exclaimed one of the ladies.

"Why, that's Mr.——"

"But before she could utter the great banker's name the Prince of Wales himself appeared from behind, and to the amazement of the benevolent lady, slapped the "poor old man" on the back and shouted:

"Tom Coutts, we have fined you a bottle for leaving your glass!"

### DIPLOMATICALLY DONE.

The agent for Perkins's Perfect Polishing Powder walked briskly up the path to Miss Priscilla Prim's residence. Miss Priscilla and her sixteen-year-old niece were engaged in practising a piano duet.

"Madam," said the agent, stopping respectfully at the French window and taking off his hat, "I feel sorry to interrupt you, and should not do so but that I have in my bag an article which will so lessen the work of your house that you will have much more time to spend in the musical exercises in which I see you are now engaged."

Miss Priscilla brought the wisdom of sixty years of focus on him through her spectacles and waved dismissal.

"I shall be sorry if you don't try Perkins's Perfect Polisher," said the agent. "Of course I shall not press it upon you, but as I came up the walk and saw you and your sister sitting there I thought—"

"My niece," said Miss Priscilla, conscientiously, but in a tone of unusual mildness.

"Niece!" ejaculated the agent, and raised his eyes to heaven in default of words. "Really, madam, of course I must believe what you say."

"Let me see what you have, young man," interrupted Miss Prim. "I don't object to labor-saving goods on principle, for I don't believe in growing old before my time," she added, affably.

Ten minutes later the agent turned his back on three lines of the Perfect Polishing Powder, and Miss Priscilla went into the house to hunt up some long-discarded curling-irons.

### SCHOOLMISTRESS A MAN.

Death Reveals Disguise Maintained for Years in St. Petersburg.

Cases of women personating men and remaining undiscovered till death are not uncommon. A case of the opposite kind, which is more rare, has caused a sensation in St. Petersburg. It was the discovery that the head mistress of a girls' school who recently died was a man.

She, or he, had led a very quiet, retired life and was much esteemed by pupils and parents alike. After her unexpected sudden death the sex was discovered. In the private rooms occupied by articles of male use, such as pipes and tobacco, there were found documents which explained the deception.

It appears that years ago the deceased was banished to Siberia for a political offense. He escaped on the way, and being able to secure a woman's passport decided to adopt the female role for good. The disguise was carried out with marvellous success for many years.

Four bushels of potatoes contain as much food as a bushel of wheat.

Only 7 per cent. of the French Army exceed 5 ft. 8 in. in height.

Tubbs: "I flatter myself that honesty is printed on my face." Grubbs: "Well—er—yes, perhaps—with some allowance for typographical errors."

"I will follow you to the afterlife, the bridge and the grave, and for that each one returns above this he gets \$1 a pennyweight."

Gold buttons generally work with bare arms, and after their day's work wash

## THE DUCILITY OF GOLD

### MACHINERY HAS PLAYED NO PART IN THIS INDUSTRY.

Cube Five-Eighths of Inch Will, When Beaten, Cover Space of 144 Square Feet.

Wonderful as machinery has been in transforming our industries, there is one department in which it has played no part, and apparently it will forever remain knocking in vain at the door of the gold beater, writes Frank Simpson in the Sunday Magazine.

Gold leaf as thin and fragile as any made to-day has been found in the coffins of Egyptian mummies, which must be at least three thousand years old, and in all that period practically no improvement has been made in the art of beating out to a thin film this most precious metal. In admiring the product of the modern gold beater one must be still more astonished at the skill which the Egyptians showed in achieving like results in an age when civilization was supposed to be at a low ebb.

The ducility of gold may best be appreciated by posing a small cube of five-eighths of an inch on the thumb, and then estimating the amount of space it will cover when hammered and expanded. Such a cube would cover the floor of a room 12 feet square, 144 square feet. In the hands of the artful gold beater a piece of the metal no larger than a pin head can be flattened so that it will

### COVER 25 SQUARE INCHES.

And the work is all done by a hammer, which to the observer looks more suitable for driving heavy spikes. There are several hammers used for the different operations, the largest of which weighs 18 pounds and the smallest seven pounds. With these apparently unwieldy instruments the gold beater produces the wonderful filmy substance sold under the name of gold leaf.

When the work is finished the small cube of gold is reduced to a thickness, or thinness, of one two hundred and eighty thousandths of an inch. The mind can scarcely grasp the full meaning of that unless comparison is made with some other material of common use. It means that it is at least one thousand times thinner than the paper on which this is printed. So thin is the gold leaf that in looking at the operators have to use slender wooden pliers to pick up the sheets.

Gold 23 to 24 carats fine is used as the standard of purity for gold beating, and goes to the operator in the form of a solid ingot one inch wide, five inches long, and three-sixteenths of an inch thick. It is first slightly heated and then passed through steel rollers which transform it into a ribbon from seven to eight yards in length and one inch wide. The steel roller is the only suggestion of a modern machine used in the whole process, and to the extent the work may differ slightly from the art as practised by the early Egyptians.

The ribbon is cut into one-inch sections and placed between leaves of very tough paper. The package thus formed is called a kutch, and contains from 180 to 200 sheets. This kutch is placed on a solid anvil, and the operator begins hammering it with

### AN 18-POUND HAMMER.

with a convex surface four inches in diameter. For half an hour this hammer is wielded rapidly and skillfully, until the leaves have been spread to four times their area. Then they are cut into squares, and new books filled with them. There are 720 of the leaves of gold now, and they are placed between vellum instead of paper, and beaten for two hours with a hammer slightly smaller than the first.

The gold beater works like an automaton, shifting the hammer from one hand without once making a miss. Each blow must be carefully directed, for the gold must be hammered evenly and uniformly throughout. This book, which is called the shoder, reduces the gold leaves to lines thinner than the original ribbon. The original 180 leaves are now cut into 2,880.

The final beating is then begun. In this stage of the process the utmost skill must be displayed, for a false blow of the hammer might easily tear the leaves. Neither paper nor vellum can be used to separate the gold leaves in the last hammering, and the only satisfactory substance ever found is the large intestine of the ox.

The preparation of the intestine for this work is peculiar. When stripped of its length of two or three feet they are freed of grease by special treatment with an alkali solution. Next they are thoroughly cleaned and doubled over so they stick and unite together. Various chemicals are then applied to increase their toughness, after which they are ready for the gold beater.

The tough, durable, the skins can be used for only about 200 beatings, and then new ones must be employed. The expense of the skins can readily be understood when it is stated that for one mole upward of 350 to 500 oxen must be slaughtered. In fact, the skins are as expensive as the gold, and are placed between them, often forty-five to fifty dollars being paid for the skins of

### A SINGLE MOLD.

With the gold leaves placed between the skins, the operator beats the package for upward of four hours with a seven-pound hammer, and at the end of that time the gold is of the standard thickness used for decorative purposes. The leaves are put up in books, each containing 25, and 20 books make a package of 500 leaves. The original ingot of gold has thus been converted into 80 books of 25 leaves each.

An important consideration in gold beating is the recovery of the waste. There is a specified amount which must be recovered by each workman from the trimmings and scraps, and for that each one returns above this he gets \$1 a pennyweight.

Gold buttons generally work with bare arms, and after their day's work wash

hands and arms to recover the gold. Hair and clothes are shaken thoroughly for the same purpose. The fine particles of gold lodge everywhere, and occasionally a complete cleaning of the shop is made to secure those particles. In a room which was recently torn down to make room for a larger building nearly \$500 worth of gold was recovered from the woodwork, floors and ceilings.

### PERSONAL POINTERS.

Interesting Gossip About Some of the World's Famous People.

The Austrian Emperor has more titles than any other monarch. He is a King nine times over and a Duke eighteen times.

The oldest footstool in the world is said to be an Anglesian man—Richard Fitzwalter, now living at Liverpool, England, and in his ninety-second year, took the pledge in 1853, and has never once in the whole of his long life touched intoxicating drink of any kind.

Lord Rayleigh, the famous scientist, is the owner of a herd of over a thousand cows, a great portion of the milk from which is retained in London shops bearing his lordship's name. Lord Rayleigh, by the way, is a brother-in-law of Mr. Arthur Balfour.

Lord Lonsdale, who is one of the German Emperor's greatest friends, is considered by many to be the premier sportsman of Great Britain. He is a magnificent shot, a rider to hounds without an equal, and has been termed the best driver of a four-in-hand in the world.

Count Tolstoi always wears boots of his own making—which boots are the admiration of the shoemaker who taught him the trade; but the latter was certain that the Count would starve did he endeavor to earn a living by boot-making, as the work put into each pair was too excellent and slow to prove profitable.

Princess Henry of Battenberg is extremely musical, and, though she does not often play now, she has published several songs, some of which have achieved popularity. The Princess has, in addition, no little literary talent, and published some years ago a translation of a seventeenth-century romance, and a birth-day book which showed much originality.

The Earl of Pembroke takes the greatest interest in all the affairs about his neighborhood. The carpet factory which he started two years ago is giving employment to a large number of people in Wilton. The industry has been carried on in the district for about three centuries, but it was in danger of dying out when Lord Pembroke came to the rescue. His lordship is one of the handsomest men in the House of Lords.

The only known survivor of the naval battle of Navarino, which took place on October 20th, 1827, is still living at Binsted, near Hyde, Isle of Wight, in the person of Mr. John Stainer, who has just entered upon his hundredth year. The old man, whose physical infirmities now prevent him leaving his room, was midshipman's steward on board H.M.S. Talbot when the conflict which gave Greece her independence took place. He afterwards served as a coastguard, and retired to the island of Wight in 1851.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain has always been adverse to too freely dispensing his autographs. Quite early in his political career he had signed printed informing his correspondents that "Mr. Joseph Chamberlain has been obliged to make a rule not to give his autograph." On the other hand, Lord Rosebery has been known to accompany his autograph with a humorous little note advising his correspondent to turn his or her attention to something more useful than collecting specimens of handwriting.

Dr. Hans Richter, the famous musical conductor, is a thorough believer in comfort in dress, and not infrequently sets fashion at defiance. One brooding evening in Paris he led the orchestra wearing the regulation dress-coat and a pair of crinkled trousers, never dreaming that he would have to come into full view of the audience. At the end of the opera, however, so clamorous were the calls for him that he was compelled to show himself before the footlights arrayed as he was. His unconventional appearance led to explosions of laughter.

General French is a man of extraordinary personal charm and spirit. It is a pure joy to hear him tell the story of how, when he had been thrown from his horse in his subaltern days, a pompous officer of the old school came fussing up and demanded, "What do you mean, sir, by leaving your saddle without orders?" His brilliant exploits as a cavalry leader in the Boer War are well known to everybody, and one of his cherished possessions is an old copy of the "Standard and Diggers' News," the floor organ, containing a full account of the complete rout of the cavalry division of General French had been mortally wounded.

A dramatic critic, in an interesting account of Miss Ellen Terry, tells of a somewhat self-satisfied, vainglorious, and grumpy actor who complained that in one of his most important scenes, he had not the courage to tell her his objections, so he wrote her a letter of heart-broken complaint, in which he said: "I am extremely sorry to tell you that it is impossible for me to make any effect in the scene if you persist in laughing at me on the stage, and so spoiling the situation. May I ask you to change your attitude, as the scene is a very serious one, and to the point, for she wrote: 'You are quite mistaken. I never laugh at you on the stage. I wait till I get home.'"

### STRENUOUS TREATMENT.

"Grandpa had the lumbago the other day."

"Indeed! What did they do for him?"

"Oh, they used the old-fashioned remedy. They soaked his feet in a tub and put ten home-made plasters and poultices on him. After the lumbago was gone they put him in bed and sent for the doctor."

"Gracious, and what did they need the doctor for?"

"Why, to cure him of the effects of the old-fashioned remedies."

## THE ANT AT CLOSE RANGE

### REMARKABLE DISCOVERY BY A LADY NATURALIST.

Antennae the Organs Used to Detect Friends from Foes—Conclusive Experiments.

Miss Fiedle, the naturalist, has invented a portable ant nest, in which one may keep ants in his own house and observe them whenever he likes, says the Sunday Magazine. Miss Fiedle herself has kept ants thus far for years, and this way has found out many strange things which nobody knew certainly before. She has discovered among other things that, although ants are able to see fairly well, they depend for the most part on their sense of smell; since, of course, in the darkness of their underground nests, where they spend most of their time, sight is of no use to them. Even above ground also they rely largely on smell and find their way back to the nest by the scent of their own tracks.

### AS A DOG MIGHT DO.

Ants, however, do not smell with their noses—because they haven't any—but with the feelers or antennae which project from the front of the head. When therefore two ants meet they at once begin to smell one another with their antennae, waving them about and touching them here and there. Some people think when they do this they are only talking or, at least, making signs, but really they are only smelling, although perhaps each may be able to tell by the other's odor something about where it has been.

It does not appear, however, that ants really know one another as we know our friends. The inhabitants of each nest each have their own smell, and by this each ant distinguishes its kindred from strangers. Miss Fiedle found that if she took an ant from a colony and kept it apart for two or three years the other ants of the nest would welcome it back again. But if she took away a single ant and smeared it with the blood of another kind, so as to change its smell, and immediately put it back, the others mistook it for a stranger and killed it at once. Ants, indeed, always try to kill a stranger which enters their nest, especially if they have young in their care, and for them any ant with an unfamiliar odor is an enemy.

That this is all a matter of smell, and not of sight is shown by such facts as these. Miss Fiedle took baby ants away from the nest before they had left the chrysalis and kept them until they were

### SEVERAL WEEKS OLD.

They had, of course, never seen their mother, nor she them. When, however, they were tested they were able to pick out their own mother from among five other queen ants, and she, on her side, knew them for some of her hundreds of children. Besides, ants taken from the nest when young and kept away until they were ten months old, when returned, began at once to make up to their younger sisters, which they could not have known even in the form of eggs.

Miss Fiedle has succeeded in making as many as eight or ten different kinds of ants live peacefully together in a single nest. One way is to cut off their antennae. Then they cannot smell one another, and do not know their enemies when they meet them. A better way, however, is to take ants only a few hours old, of as many different sorts as one wishes, and let them live for three, four, or five days in a very small nest, where they cannot keep out of one another's way.

### GRAPHOPHONE WAS USEFUL.

Placates the Savages of British East African Protectorate.

Col. Hayes Sadler, the Governor of the British East African Protectorate, has made a remarkable series of journeys among wild tribes in a country which had hitherto not been visited by whites. He was accompanied by his wife, who has always travelled with him on his tours, not only in East Africa, but in Scandinavia, Uganda and India. He had an escort of King's African Rifles.

The natives, some of whom had been hitherto regarded as hostile, manifested a keen desire to come into closer touch with the British.

A graphophone was found wonderfully useful in promoting a good understanding. On one occasion, in the Tana district, 200 natives visited the Governor's camp. The march past lasted four hours. The multitude of natives formed up in a hollow square, the warriors in lines four or five deep, brandishing their shields, while behind the women were placed in position.

After the formal greetings the Governor and his wife, together with Mrs. Hayes Sadler and half a dozen officers, were in the middle of the square, went forward and saluted each chief in his own tongue. When the formal part of the ceremony was concluded a graphophone concert was given. This caused the wildest excitement among the natives, who described the machine as the "great big medicine." The proceedings concluded by Col. Hayes Sadler explaining to the headmen and chiefs their position with regard to the Government.

In the wild part of Kenya forest great difficulty was experienced in persuading the people to approach the white man, and it was only by means of the graphophone that they were induced to leave their retreat. On the first occasion, when they did so, the sound of a bugle call so terrified the warriors that they bolted like rabbits.

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### WASTED OPPORTUNITIES.

Green: "What do you think of Dulben's \$50,000 failure?"

Brown: "I think Dulben must be crazy."

Green: "Why?"

Brown: "With his opportunities he should have failed for at least twice that amount."



THURSDAY, FEB. 14, 1907.

## Respecting Patent Medicines

A Government measure respecting proprietary and patent medicines will be introduced in the House this week by Hon. Mr. Templeman, Minister of Inland Revenue. It is understood that the act will provide that no medicine shall be sold or offered for sale unless a sample has been sent to the Minister for registration, accompanied by an affidavit as to whether it contains alcohol or poisons and their percentages. None can be sold unless it is of the same composition as the standard sample bearing the name and number. A registration fee must accompany each sample. Every bottle or package of medicine offered for sale must have the Inland Revenue stamp attached to it. If the analysis discloses that the sample submitted does not conform to the statement that accompanies it, or if the Minister considers the medicine unfit for use, the dealer will have an opportunity of presenting his side of the question, after which the Minister may, if he deems it advisable, prohibit the manufacture, importation or sale of the medicine. The act also applies to any person who is not known as a wholesale manufacturer or importer in the ordinary acceptance of the term, but who makes or imports proprietary or patent medicines for sale direct to consumers. The distribution of medicine samples door to door is also prohibited. The penalties provided reach a maximum of a fine of five hundred dollars and imprisonment of twelve months, according to the nature of the offence. The presence of cocaine in proprietary medicines will be prohibited.

## Jails Not Wanted

A peculiar problem is being discussed in the Province of Prince Edward Island. The suggestion has been made that one jail centrally situated is ample to meet all the needs.

The plan heretofore has been a jail in each county, but oftentimes it has happened that all of them have been empty, and it never happens that any of them are full. The Charlottetown Guardian points out that the percentage of population that is criminal is the smallest in Prince Edward Island of any Province of Canada, and therefore there is no occasion for a prison in each county.

Recently the jail at Summerside was burned down. In one of the other counties the building is in a dilapidated condition. It is not likely therefore that either of them will be rebuilt, but one prison will serve all the needs of the Province.

This is a striking tribute to the benefits of the prohibitory law. If bar-room accommodation is increased, prison accommodation must also be increased. Where bar-room accommodation is reduced prisons become less necessary. In Prince Edward Island there are no bar-rooms, and therefore no prisoners for the jails.

The American Government is taking up the subject of divorce. There was terrible need. It is estimated that there have been 600,000 divorces in the last twenty years, and that 1,500,000 children have had their homes broken up. This is a deadly cancer at the heart of a nation. The want of a uniform divorce law for all the States is partly the source, and that want legislation may supply. Decency is given to the winds. A lady requests the honor of the presence of her friends at the celebration of her divorce from her husband. A husband helps his wife to a divorce, settles the house and a fine income on her, and himself gives her away at the wedding. No sacrifice could be worse than such profanation of the very sacredness of morality as well as of happiness. All this is manifestly a reason for proceeding without delay to put divorce on a sound moral footing in Canada, with a court on the English model to uphold the sanctity of marriage and prevent recourse to the divorce mills of the United States.—"A By-stander" in Weekly Sun.

## Reports Exaggerated

An Ottawa despatch says: The Interior Department has been making further inquiries in reference to the coal famine and weather conditions in the West, and advices received indicate that reports have been exaggerated. While distress has undoubtedly prevailed in some quarters it is claimed that it has not been so widespread as is generally supposed. It is felt that it is necessary to put the real facts of the situation before the British public, or else there will be a marked falling off in the number of new arrivals from the Old Country.

That the Ontario Medical Council and other similar organizations are bodies of irresponsible men, was the opinion expressed by members of the Canadian Press Association at their meeting in Toronto last week. A resolution was carried authorizing the Executive to protest to the Provincial authorities against the Medical Council and all other like organizations which seek to become close corporations. The subject was discussed from all sides.

Hon. Chas. Hyman is said to be restored to health, and will retain his position as Minister of Public Works in the Dominion cabinet. He has resigned his seat for London, and will contest the constituency again.

## For Rheumatic Sufferers

The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain-Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, neuralgia, lame back, lumbago and deep seated muscular pains. For sale by Morton & Haight.

## Live Your Own Life

If men and women could get rid of the desire to do as their neighbors do, and subvert for it the determination to do as they feel they ought to do, hosts of people would be relieved of intolerable slavery and freed from dangerous temptations. The great majority of men who live beyond their means are victims of this passion to do as their neighbors do without regard to the difference between their income and their neighbor's income. Instead of selecting their own way of living, choosing their interests, forming their own habits, defining their own aims, and so becoming independent, rational human beings who stand for something real and who contribute to the moral wealth of a community, they sink to the level of mere imitators and count for nothing, because they stand for nothing. Neither house, nor table, nor dress, nor entertainment, represents their real financial condition. There is no more convincing evidence of what is called thorough-bredness than the element of reality which permeates the life of the men and women who stand thoroughly on their feet, and who are not dependent upon others for position, pleasure or influence. In the genuine home the sense of the relation and proportion between all the activities of life and all forms of expenditure is instinctively as well as intelligently preserved. People of this class do not make their tables meager in order that they may spend more money on clothes, nor do they cut their charities down to the bare point in order that they may give more expensive entertainments; nor are they willing to live in comfort themselves and compel their servants to live in garrets and cellars. A real household is honest throughout; it does not wear a veneer of gold to the world; it is not a noble portico to a mean residence.

## A Century and a Half

MIGHT BE THE AVERAGE AGE OF A HUMAN BEING, SAYS DR. SPERRY.

That the average person could and would, under proper conditions, attain to the age of one hundred and fifty years was one of the several striking statements made by Lyman C. Sperry, M.A., M.D., in the course of his lecture entitled "Future possible attainments of the human race," before the Y. M. C. A. at Montreal, on Friday night.

Dr. Sperry is a special lecturer, whose services had been secured for the past week. Friday night's lecture concluded the series, and in several respects proved the most interesting.

In referring to the commonly understood allotted span of life as seventy years, the lecturer considered that to be absurd. God did not mean that a man's life should ordinarily be kept within such a limit, but the writer of the words had simply recorded the number as a matter of fact. When it was taken, however into consideration how many people had reached an age beyond the century mark and even at that period retained their health and strength to a high degree, despite the various excesses and hardships through which they had passed, it needed but a little thought to convince one that such lives might easily have been extended to another half century. People lived long to-day almost in spite of themselves. Many were victims of the narcotic poison habit, including alcohol, tobacco, patent medicines, cocaine, and the various other forms in which drugs are sold. This, however, constituted only one of the many ills to which modern man submitted. Malnutrition played a most important part. To-day men generally suffered from either gluttony or starvation, one extreme or the other. Coupled with this, there were those habits that appeal to the sensual side of one's nature. Then came mal-respiration. Half the people scarcely seemed to know that they breathed. Assuming cramped positions at their different forms of work, they often gave the lungs a chance to perform their function in keeping up a strong circulation, and thus relieving the body of its many impurities. This applied to women with even greater force than to men because the former only too frequently adopted fashions of dress that seemed to compress the lungs. Another contributing factor to brevity of life, as alleged by the lecturer, was worry. "It is as much as to almost any other cause must be attributed many short lives. Closely associated with it went the inconceivable greed for money that characterized so many people at the present day. It seemed to have such a hold on some persons that they would sacrifice health, principle and every thing else to gain it."

## Died of Starvation

Belleville, Feb. 9.—A sad story of suffering and destitution comes from North Hastings. Neighbors heard of the case, and upon investigation found a man named James C. Kelly, near L'Amable, dying and his wife and five children actually starving. There was no fire in the house, and the thermometer registered 25 below zero. Kelly died, and but for the arrival of neighbors the whole family would probably have perished.

## Waste and Want

Rev. Father Paul recently delivered a vigorous temperance address before the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, at Dublin, Ireland, in which he vigorously scored the liquor evil as one of the causes of poverty and lack of employment among the Irish people. Among other striking statements, he made the following:

In Dublin, where there is such a dearth of employment, it is estimated that 21,000,000 a year—almost 28,000 a day—is squandered in drink. Why, 210,000 would run a factory, and 100,000 given to an Irish country would set the mill-wheels going all along its rivers. A million sterling would keep all our people at home, and yet that sum is squandered every year in Dublin alone.

Piles get quick relief from Dr. Sloan's Mole Ointment. Remember its made ALBION for piles and works with certainty and without delay. Itching, itching, pruritus, piles disappear by its magic by its use. Try it and see. Sold by Morton & Haight.

## Consult Your Wife

There are thousands of families homeless or living in poverty and wretchedness to-day, who could have been living in comfort, in good homes, if the husbands had consulted their business affairs to their wives. Women are very much better judges of human nature than men. They can detect rascality, deception, and insincerity more quickly.

I know business men who would never think of employing a manager or superintendent, or a man for any other important position, or of choosing a partner, without consulting in some way to have their wives meet the man and get a chance to estimate him, to read him. They invite the man whom they are considering for an important position, to their home for dinner, or to spend the Sabbath, before deciding. They want the advantage of that marvellous feminine instinct which goes so directly and unerringly to its mark.

I have known of several instances where a wife had cautioned her husband against having anything to do with a man with whom he was thinking of going into business, but the husband ignored the wife's opinion as silly, and disregarded her advice to his great sorrow later, as the man turned out exactly as the wife had predicted.

If you are considering taking any great risk on an investment, if you are in doubt as to whether you can quite afford a certain thing or not, talk it over with your wife.

How many men who have made a failure of life with they had talked their affairs over with their wives!

Many men think that because their wives have never had any experience in business it would be foolish to talk business matters over with them. But no matter how much experience you may have, you need the swift and accuracy of woman's instinct to keep you from making foolish investments, from making alliance with bad men, and from foolish things generally.—Success.

Mr. V. E. Hunt, of Montreal, has purchased the hardware business of Mr. W. S. Gordon, of Tweed.

George N. Kidd, M.P.P. for Carleton county, died on Saturday, after a two weeks' illness from typhoid fever. He was in his 43rd year.

About one hundred and fifty persons are thought to be dead as the result of a collision between a steamer and schooner off Rock Island.

A woman named Nellie Padden, once the wife of a Minneapolis millionaire, died in the police cells at Winnipeg on Saturday night, from the effects of alcoholism.

The bricklayers' union of Belleville have passed a resolution to charge 86c. per hour, and nine hours to constitute a day's work. This is to take effect on April 1st.

That sick inmates are neglected and unsanitary conditions prevail in some Houses of Refuge in the Province is the charge made by Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith in his report to the Government.

The Salvation Army has chartered the steamers "Southwark" and "Vancouver," of the Dominion Line, for the exclusive use of emigrants going to Canada in the spring under their auspices.

A recipe for long life: "Stop worrying. Stop hurrying. Cleanse the body and mind of all impurities. Eat to live, instead of living to eat. Take plenty of exercise in the open air. Breathe deeply. Love your neighbor."

The Hon. Mr. Fisher has introduced an amendment to his food inspection bill, making compulsory inspection apply to meat only, but reserving the power to inspect other foods when considered necessary. The bill was also amended so as to bring meat packing establishments under the operation of the bill by order-in-council.

Many petitions have been presented to the Ontario Legislature asking for a repeal of the three-fifths clause in the Local Option law. In the recent local option campaign the law got a good majority in almost every place that the vote was taken, but was defeated in many because the law required that the majority should be three-fifths.

## Not Under One Hundred Years

So many things enter into the question of the age at which a girl should marry, it is very hard to decide. Health, capability, knowledge and the girls circumstances are all factors in the case. No sickly girl should get married before the age of one hundred years, at least; but a healthy, capable girl, with sensible ideas of the duty of a homemaker and willing to make allowances—at times—for the inherent crankiness of man, such a girl at twenty-four should make some deserving man happy. My reasons for thinking twenty-four the best age for a girl to marry are:

In the first place, her silly giggling stage, if I may so express it, is over, and she has attained the more sensible, but none the less happy, part of her girlhood. Young enough to be pleasing and bright, still ready for fun, but with a great many new ideas, and very different and much improved ones in comparison with the stock she had on hand at twenty. Secondly, a girl of twenty-four has gotten over her first little love affairs, which last on an average about six months each. She has probably rejected a few callow youths, who didn't know whether they needed a wife or a prolonged dose of early-to-bed and early-to-rise, and when a real man asks her she knows how much love she has for him, and whether she can be happy putting in "a life sentence" with him or not.

To stop a cold with "Preventive" is after that old and tried cure, the "sneeze stage." Preventive will head off all colds and grippe, and per-haps save you from pneumonia or bronchitis. Preventive is little toothsome candy color tablets, selling in 5-cent and 25-cent boxes. If you are chilly if you begin to sneeze, try Preventive. They will surely check the cold, and please you. Sold by Morton & Haight.

## GREAT WHITEWEAR SALE

Commencing Feb. 20th and lasting till March 10th, we will hold the biggest White Goods Sale in the history of our Store.

Before the recent heavy advance in the price of Cotton, Lawns, Laces and Embroideries, a well-known manufacturing company placed large orders for CASH, to keep its factory running at full capacity during the dull season.

The garments produced were priced just to cover cost. Hearing of this, and always on the look out for just such a chance we lost no time in securing our share at

## PRICES NOT OTHERWISE POSSIBLE

The quantity of each line is limited so do not delay, but come and see.

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Dainty Styles

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Manufactured under the most perfect sanitary conditions on the continent.

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## THE NEW WALL PAPERS

We have them ready for your inspection.

No daintier designs for Bedrooms, or more striking and suitable patterns for the more public apartments have ever been shown in Stirling.

Wouldn't you like to see them?

If so, drop us a card and we will call and help you to select the proper designs and colors that will harmonize with the surroundings of your rooms.

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## Clubbing List.

The News-Argus will club with the following papers at the rates mentioned:

The Weekly Globe.....\$1.80  
The Weekly Mail & Empire, with premium picture.....1.90  
The Family Herald & Weekly Star, with premium picture.....1.70  
" with picture and book.....1.85  
The Weekly Sun.....1.80  
The Toronto News (Daily).....2.25  
The Toronto Star (Daily).....2.25  
The Toronto Globe (Daily).....4.50  
The Farmers' Advocate, weekly \$2.25

We recommend our readers to subscribe to the Farmers' Advocate and Home Magazine, the best Agricultural Journal in America.

Manitoba Legislature has passed an act allowing municipalities to operate fuel depots.

James Walton, a railroad contractor, was frozen to death, on the prairie near Medora, Man., last week.

The freezing to death of a family of seven people in the west is confirmed by Rev. J. G. Shearer, who has returned to Toronto.

Soap found in a soap-boiler's shop in the ruins of Pompeii, after being buried 1,800 years, still retained its efficacy. Soap is twice mentioned in the Bible, and has been in use 3,000 years.

Three men were killed on Thursday last by the explosion of the boiler of a threshing engine used in sawing wood on a farm near Selby. One leaves a wife and one child, another a wife, and the third was unmarried.

## Good Advice

Stay with the farm, where life is natural and friendships more real; where you can wear what you want and there are none who will criticize. Stay with the farm with its air of trust and friendliness, from the colts, who follow you up and down the line, to the swallows who build in the barn. If the foregoing advice given by a contemporary were followed, Canada would be greatly benefited thereby.

## The Jar of Coughing

Hammer blows, steadily applied, break the hardest rock. Coughing, day after day, jars and tears the throat and lungs until the healthy tissues give way. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral stops the coughing, and heals the torn membranes.

The best kind of a testimonial—"Sold for over sixty years."

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of Sarsaparilla, Pills, and Vigor. We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines. Biliousness, constipation, rotatory colic. Cure these with Ayer's Pills.

## The Mutual Life, of Canada

The question is not

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The rigorous investigation into the affairs of the MUTUAL LIFE points the way. The Royal Insurance Commission found this Company

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The Mutual Life's funds are invested only in gilt-edged securities—First Mortgages, Municipal Debentures, First Mortgage Bonds. Not a dollar in stocks. Not a dollar in speculative sources.

Write for our booklet and last report, with list of investments.

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Agents wanted.

General Agent, BELLEVILLE.

"Could the consumptives of any given community be seen at one time, or pass in panorama before the people, public consciousness of the magnitude of the affliction might be aroused. A physical disaster shocks the world and lets loose the sympathy of millions. A few thousand deaths are nothing as compared with the deaths from consumption." LAWRENCE F. FLICK, M.D., Medical Director of Henry Phipps Institute for the Study, Treatment and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Many reasons surely must influence men and women to help in the great work being carried on by the

## MUSKOKA FREE HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTIVES.

Other hospitals refuse the consumptive. This institution cares for them.

Not a single applicant has ever been refused admission to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives because of his or her poverty.

Seven hundred and thirty-eight patients have been cared for since the Free Hospital was opened in 1902. Take a week's record:

63 patients in residence; 37 absolutely free, not paying a copper toward their maintenance; 15 paying 50 cents a day or less; 5 paying \$4.00 a week; 4 paying \$5.00; one paying \$7.00.

These figures tell plainly of a large deficit on maintenance account each month. To cover this the trustees are dependent upon the contributions that come to them from friends in all parts of Canada.

Not since the days of George Muller has so great a work of faith been carried on.

WILL YOU HELP DIVIDE THIS LOAD WITH THE TRUSTEES?

Contributions may be sent to SIR WM. R. MEREDITH, K.C., Chief Justice, Osgoode Hall, Toronto, or W. J. Gage, Esq., 54 Front Street, W., Toronto.

Applications for admission and all information from J. S. ROBERTSON, Secretary National Sanitarium Association, (Saturday Night Building), 28 Adelaide Street, W., Toronto, Canada.

Ask for our Clubbing rates.







# TERRORIST KILLED GOVERNOR

## He Also Shot Three Others, Then Killed Himself

A despatch from Penza, Russia, says: S. A. Alexandrovsky, Governor of Penza, was shot and killed by a young man as he was leaving the theatre on Thursday night. In attempting to escape, the assassin also killed the assistant Chief of Police and a policeman and wounded the manager of the theatre. The terrorist then shot himself and died in a hospital. The assassin was not identified. The bullets which he used subsequently were discovered to be poisoned.

M. Alexandrovsky, who was well known as chief commissioner of the Red Cross in the field during the war between Russia and Japan, had just stepped out of the door of the theatre when a youth pushed his way through the crowd and shot the Governor in the neck. He fell dead on the spot. When the assistant chief of police, who was standing near the door of the theatre,

## LEADING MARKETS

### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 12.—Wheat—Ontario—No. 2 white winter, 70½c to 71½c; No. 2 red, 70c to 71½c; No. 2 mixed 70c outside.

Manitoba—No. 1 hard, 85c; No. 1 northern, 81c; No. 2 northern, nominally 82c lake ports.

Oats—No. 2 white, 39½c to 40c; Ontario—No. 2 mixed, 38½c to 39c.

Peas—80c to 81c outside.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, American, 51½c to 52c; Ontario, 43c to 44c, basis Shalham freight.

Buckwheat—52c to 53c.

Rye—69c to 70c.

Barley—No. 2, 51c to 52c; No. 3 extra, 49c to 50c.

"Flour—Ontario, 90 per cent. patents, \$2.65 asked, \$2.63 bid; Manitoba, first, patents, \$4.50; seconds, 4½; bakers', \$3.80.

Bran—Nominally \$21 bid locally.

Shorts—\$19 to \$20.

### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—There is little change in the condition of the market.

Creamery, prints ..... 26c to 27c do solids ..... 23c to 24c Dairy prints ..... 21c to 23c do tubs ..... 19c to 21c Cheese—13½c for large and 14c for twins.

Eggs—New laid, 28c to 29c; select, 1½c to 26c; storage, 24c; limed, 22c.

Poultry—The market is very quiet, with practically no change in prices.

Chickens, fresh-killed ..... 10c to 12c Inferior, frozen stock ..... 8c to 10c Fowl ..... 8c to 10c Ducks ..... 10c to 12c Geese ..... 10c to 11c Turkeys ..... 11c to 12c Honey—Firm at 11c to 12c per pound for pails and \$2 to \$2.50 for combs.

Beans—\$1.50 to \$1.60 for hand-picked, and primes \$1.40 to \$1.45.

Potatoes—Ontario are quiet at 70c to 75c per bag; eastern, 75c to 80c, in car lots here.

Baled Hay—Prices are generally weak at \$11 to \$11.50 for No. 1 timothy and \$8.50 to \$9 for No. 2, in car lots, on track here.

Straw—\$7 to \$7.50 in car lots, on track here.

### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Buckwheat—50c to 50½c per bushel.

Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 55c; No. 3 mixed, 55c ex-store.

Oats—On spot, No. 2 white, 52½c; No. 3 white, 41½c to 42c; No. 4, 40½c to 41c per bushel ex-store.

Peas—Belling peas, \$1 in carload lots, \$1.10 in jobbing lots.

Flour—Manitoba spring wheat, \$4.55 to \$4.60; strong patents, \$3.90 to \$4.10; winter wheat patents, \$4.10 to \$4.25.

Provisions—Barrels short cut mess, \$22 to \$23.50; half barrels, \$21.75 to \$22.50; clear fat back, \$21 to \$22.50; long cut heavy mess, \$20.50 to \$22; half barrels, do., \$10.75 to \$11.50; dry salted long clear bacon, 12c to 12½c; barrels "pale beef, \$11 to \$12.50; half barrels, do., \$8 to \$9.50; barrels heavy mess beef, \$8.50 to \$9; half barrels do., \$4.75; compound lard, 12c to 13c; pure lard, 11½c to 12c; kettle rendered, 13c to 13½c; hams, 13c to 14½c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 15c to 16c; Windor bacon, 15c to 16c; fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs, \$10; alive, \$7.25.

Butter—Fresh made creamery, 24c; rolls, in baskets or half barrels, 22c to 22½c; western dairy, selected, 22c; Manitoba dairy, 20c to 21c. Receipts this morning were 340 packages.

# NOTE GAVE CHEESE AWAY

## Brand Was "Brockville," But Message Was From New York.

A despatch from Brockville says: The Dominion Dairy Commissioner, J. A. Ruddick, has given out a letter received from an influential English importer of London, protesting strongly against the finding in a cheese alleged to have been exported from the Brockville section a glass bottle containing a note. When the cheese was cut the bottle became broken in the middle, and the great danger of anyone partaking of the produce cut from the vicinity of that bottle was emphasized. The writer roundly scolded this ally method of makers or manufacturers communicating with consumers.

The incident reveals another case of the fraudulent exporter selling New York State cheese as Brockville's. The cheese from which the bottle was taken was branded "Brockville, registered No. 530, Dairy Act, 1897, Canada," and the note was as follows: "When you receive this, please reply and tell me how you like my uncle's cheese. Address Miss D. Penz, Brockville, Ontario, N.Y.S."

The Brockville Cheese Board will likely take this matter up promptly, and ascertain how it is that a cheese purporting to have been made in Brockville section appears to have been made in New York State, and how it is that a Brockville registered brand is in use across the line.

## MUNICIPAL FUEL DEPOTS.

Authorized by Act of the Manitoba Legislature.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The equipment of the C. N. R. was again a matter of debate in the Legislature on Monday afternoon, and a clause was added to the company's guarantee that grants the Provincial Railway Commissioner power to order the company to increase its rolling stock in keeping with the public requirements.

The Legislature also without dissenting has decided to accept the suggestion of the Grain Growers' Association that the municipal act be amended by a clause empowering the municipalities to operate coal and fuel depots. A two-third vote of the ratepayers will be required to authorize any Council to embark in such an enterprise.

## SHERIFF OF HALDIMAND DEAD.

Went Into His Office on Way Home and Fell Dying on the Floor.

A despatch from Cayuga says: Robert H. Davis, sheriff of Haldimand, expired suddenly at the Court House on Monday evening about 5.30. He was in his office on Monday as usual, and when returning into his office at the Court House before going home, he suddenly fell to the floor and passed away in a few minutes. Deceased had been sheriff of Haldimand for nearly 30 years. Previous to his appointment he practised medicine in York, about six miles from here. He was one of the early settlers of Haldimand. He always took an active interest in the militia, being a veteran of the Fenian Raid, and was for many years colonel of the 37th Battalion. He was 79 years of age.

## \$35,000 FIRE IN BRANTFORD.

Beckeping and Wood Departments of Large Factory are Destroyed.

A despatch from Brantford says: What might have been one of the most severe fires in the history of Brantford occurred on Monday morning in the Beckeping department of the large factory of Gould, Shopley and Muir. It started from a small engine in the steam-heating plant. By the efforts of the fire department, assisted by some 200 employees of the company, the fire was confined to the Beckeping and wood departments, the main portion of the factory, with its expensive machinery, being saved. The total loss is \$35,000.

## LOST HIS WAY.

Dr. Flood Was Frozen to Death Near Fort Churchill.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: W. Beach, Hudson's Bay officer at Fort Churchill, arrived in the city on Monday night after a terrible overland trip from the bay, occupying 39 days. He brings the first intelligence of the sad death of Dr. Flood, a surgeon in the Northwest Mounted Police detachment at Fort Churchill, under command of Colonel Moodie. Dr. Flood was frozen to death about 12 miles from the fort on November 30 last. He was a young man who had only arrived shortly before that time on the Adventure and lost his way while out hunting. Mr. Beach was one of the search party which found the body, and brings the official intelligence for the Government.

## ONCE A MILLIONAIRE'S WIFE.

Died Saturday of Alcoholism in Winnipeg Police Cell.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: A coroner's jury on Monday night investigated the death of Nellie Padden, a somewhat notorious character, who died in a cell at the police station Saturday night. They returned a verdict to the effect that death had been due to alcoholism. Nellie Padden was a favorite star here in a stock company at the old Princess Theatre, was a magnificent singer in her palmy days, and the devoted wife of a Minneapolis millionaire.

## RECEIPTS FROM ESTATES.

Provinces Netted \$21,000 in Succession Duties in January.

A despatch from Toronto says: The gross receipts of the Provincial Treasury from succession duties for the month of January were \$21,000. In the same month of 1906 the province collected \$25,000 on the devolution of estates.

## LOST HIS LIFE ON PRAIRIE.

Railroad Contractor Frozen to Death Near Medora, Man.

A despatch from Medora, Manitoba, says: James Walton, a railroad contractor, was frozen to death near here while lost on the prairie during the early part of last week. He has no relatives in Canada.

## EXPLOSION AT WOOLWICH.

Most of the Windows in the Town Broken.

A despatch from London says: At 3.30 o'clock Monday morning a violent explosion occurred in the chemical research department of the Woolwich Arsenal. Most of the windows of the houses in the town were broken. No lives were lost so far as is known. The building was completely wrecked.

## CHINOOK AVERTS RUIN.

Cattle in Alberta Now Have Easy Access to the Grass.

A despatch from Medicine Hat, Alta., says: The Chinook on Wednesday raised the temperature 99 degrees in a few hours, and, as a result, the hills are bare of snow and the cattle have easy access to grass. Ranchers regard the situation as saved.

## STATIONERY ENGINEERS.

The Measure of Last Session is to be Amended.

A despatch from Toronto says: It is understood that a measure will be introduced by the Government during the present session of the Legislature amending in several important particulars the stationery engineers' act of last session. This provides in effect that those in charge of engines of over fifty horsepower must have a certificate of competency issued by the board of examiners consisting of twelve persons appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. Engineers having certificates from the Ontario Association of Engineers or in charge of a steam plant coming under the provisions of this act, or who have had two years' experience in the operation of such plant, are qualified to receive from the Board of Examiners a certificate of competency if they apply for such before July 1, when the act comes into effect, and supply sufficient evidence of good character and pay the prescribed fee.

The most important of the changes to be made, it is expected, will provide for a reduction in the membership of the Board of Examiners to five, for the greater control by the Government in the fixing of the annual fee to be paid by engineers and in framing regulations which engineers must obey, and the consequent curbing of the powers of the Board of Examiners in both these matters.

## INCREASE OF REVENUE.

Advance of \$6,403,875 Over the Same Period Last Year.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The statement of revenue expenditure shows a revenue of \$50,558,693, compared with \$44,254,818 for the same time last year, an increase of \$6,303,875. The expenditure for the same period was \$33,227,361, a decrease of about \$600,000 compared with the same time last year, or a betterment of over \$7,000,000. There was, however, an increase of over \$1,500,000 in the capital account.

## WRECK OF N. Y. CENTRAL.

Adirondack and Montreal Express Side-swiped Freight.

A despatch from Ossining, N. Y., says: The engineer and fireman of the Adirondack and Montreal express on the New York Central Railroad were killed and five other persons, four of them passengers, were injured when the express, northbound, "sideswiped" a freight engine a mile south of this village on Friday night. The dead are: Wm. Kirk, engineer; James Armistage, fireman. Both men were buried in the wreckage, and it was some time before their bodies were recovered. None of the passengers were dangerously injured though two sustained injuries necessitating their removal to a hospital here.

## SIR HOWARD RUSSELL DEAD.

Veteran War Correspondent Succumbs at 86 Years of Age.

A despatch from London says: Sir Howard Russell, editor of the Army and Navy Gazette, is dead. He was eighty-six years of age. He was a famous war correspondent, and in that capacity served the London Times at the Battle of Bull Run.

## TO REPATRIATE EXILES.

Australia Will Help Workingmen Stranded in South Africa.

A despatch from London says: The Chronicle's Melbourne correspondent says the Commonwealth and State Governments are negotiating a scheme to repatriate Australian workmen stranded in South Africa.

## CZAR CONFIRMS SENTENCE.

Court-Martial Finding on Nebogoff and Other Officers Approved.

A despatch from St. Petersburg says: The Emperor has confirmed the sentence passed by the court-martial on Admiral Nebogoff and other naval officers who participated in the Battle of the Sea of Japan.

## TRAIN BURNED AT BELLEVILLE.

Twenty-Five Freight Cars, With Contents, Were Destroyed.

A despatch from Belleville, Ont., says: At a late hour Friday night fire broke out among some loaded G. T. R. cars which formed part of a train that was eastward bound. The train was upon a side track in the company's yard, about a mile east of the station. Before the flames could be checked, some 25 cars, with their contents, were destroyed. The flames spread very rapidly, owing to the fact that one of the cars contained a tank laden with oil, and the latter caught fire, sending burning oil in all directions. The local fire brigade were called out and resisted some assistance from burning cars being shunted up near a hydrant. The cars destroyed were laden with grain, apples, and general merchandise. The loss at the very least will be \$30,000. The fire is said to have been caused by an explosion in one of the cars.

## THE OIL KING'S GIFT.

Rockefeller Gives \$25,000,000 to General Education.

A despatch from New York says: Thirty-two million dollars' worth of income-producing securities is given by John D. Rockefeller to the General Education Board. When it assembled for a special meeting in this city late on Thursday the benefaction was announced by Mr. Rockefeller's son, John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The donation is for general education throughout the country. It is the largest single benefaction for such purpose ever known. Mr. Rockefeller had previously given the board \$11,000,000 for the same work.

# POLICEMAN'S BRAVE RESCUE

## Woman and Child Taken From Burning Building in Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: Constable French rescued a woman and child from a burning building early on Wednesday morning on St. Catherine Street east. He noticed the fire and sent in an alarm, and then started to rouse the occupants of the house. They turned out in their night clothes, but after a short time the woman and child were found in the burning building, where the constable quickly rescued them. The woman and child were taken to a hospital, where the woman was not very great, as the firemen succeeded in extinguishing the flames shortly after the rescue.

## RIOTERS BURNED TO DEATH.

Disturbances in Japanese Mines Instigated by Socialists.

A despatch from Tokyo says: Troops have been dispatched to suppress rioting on the part of miners employed in one of the copper mines in the Ashio district, where on Wednesday, being dissatisfied with the manner in which the mine owners had treated the miners, they made an attack upon the property, using dynamite freely. Fifteen rioters were burned to death in a storehouse, which they had plundered for provisions and liquor, and which they set fire to while intoxicated. The disturbances were instigated by Socialists, whose leader has been arrested.

## A TRAVELLER'S VIEW.

Situation in the West Serious—People Flocking to Hotels.

Winnipeg, Feb. 7.—A Toronto traveller is in the city, returning from a trip to the west, and gives a serious view of the situation. Every hotel between Winnipeg and Regina, he says, is filled to overflowing and beds are being improvised in every hole and corner. Many of these people tell harrowing and heart-rending tales. There are whispers that the full tragedy of the present winter will only be known when the thaw comes and the snow gives up its dead.

## WILL RUN AT SPEED.

Dreadnought to Steam 17 Knots From Gibraltar to Trinidad.

A despatch from London says: It is officially reported that the battleship Dreadnought, which is on her way from Gibraltar to the island of Trinidad, will maintain a speed of 17 knots for the entire distance. Her machinery is in prime condition and she carries sufficient fuel to carry her a thousand miles at the same speed.

## HIS WHOLE FAMILY FROZEN.

Western Settler Who Got Drunk Found Them Dead on Return.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Arthur Congdon, wholesale merchant, Winnipeg, has received word from a merchant at Alameda, that a German settler's wife and five children were found frozen to death a few days ago in their farm house north of Blount. The farmer had gone into the village to get fuel, there was no difficulty in securing fuel there, but he went to Estevan, where he became the worse for liquor, and on arriving home, three days later, discovered that every member of his family had perished, being without fuel.

## SIX FROZEN TO DEATH.

Party of Wood Choppers Lost Near Darwin, Manitoba.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: A report reached the city on Friday night to the effect that six wood choppers in the vicinity of Darwin, which is on the border between Manitoba and Ontario, were frozen to death a few days ago, having lost their way in the woods and perished. The first-named leaves relatives here.

# ATMOSPHERIC NITROGEN

## Can Be Extracted By Means of Electricity Says Prof. Saunders.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The progress of agriculture in Canada and the practical results obtained by the extension of the experimental farm system formed the subject of an address by Professor Wm. Saunders, Director of the Government Experimental Farms, before the Agricultural Committee on Wednesday morning. As an illustration of the growth and importance of experimental work Professor Saunders stated that in 1890 his correspondence amounted to about eight thousand letters in the course of the year, while for the past seven years the average had been 68,797 letters. In 1897 the number of seed samples distributed amounted to 1,140, while last year the total was 43,885. Contrasting the wheat production of the various countries, he pointed out that Great Britain came first with 30.95 bushels to the acre, and Germany second with 28.25 bushels. Canada was well up, the average for Ontario being 18.02 bushels per acre, Manitoba 18.45 per acre, and the Northwest 2.13 per acre. Experiments with Canadian Red Fife wheat in England had been lately carried out, and proved remarkably successful. With regard to spring wheats Professor Saunders said that while goose wheat had proved eminently successful in certain localities, he could not advise Canadian farmers to plant it generally. Referring to recent experiments made by Sir William Crookes with a view of extracting by means of electricity nitrogen from air, to be used as a fertilizer, Professor Saunders said that when the scheme was perfected it would revolutionize agriculture. At Niagara Falls an American company had sunk a million dollars in endeavoring to establish an industry on these lines, but the cost of electricity was too high to allow the project to be successful. It seemed that if electricity could be produced for this purpose at a cost of 84 per horsepower the extraction of nitrogen from the atmosphere and the production of nitrate of lime for fertilizing could be carried out profitably. In Norway, where there were many large water-powers, a company had been established and was competing, he believed successfully, in the supply of fertilizers. The matter was an important one, as it had been estimated that the world's supply of nitric acid would run out in nineteen or twenty years, and it was necessary that something should be done to guard against this.



P. S.—Butter and Eggs taken in exchange.

**MORTON & HAIGHT,**  
Druggists, Stationers, Etc.

Life, to be worthy of a rational being, must be always in progression. We must always purpose to do more or better than in time past.—Johnson.

**Breaking In.**  
Mother—Dear me, the baby has swallowed a piece of worsted. Father—That's nothing to the yarns she'll have to swallow if she lives to grow up.

Let another praise thee and not thine  
own mouth; a stranger, and not thine  
own lips.—Book of Proverbs.

Marriages and Deaths inserted free

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## KING AND THE MADMAN.

Windsor Bookmaker Makes an Attempt to Shoot with the King.

A sensational incident in connection with one of the King's shooting excursions in Windsor Forest has just come to light.

A madman, armed with a gun, determined to shoot with the King's Majesty the other Saturday, and proceeded into the forest, near High Standing Hill. He actually shot at some birds after the King and Prince of Wales had left the forest after the best day's sport in Windsor Park ever enjoyed.

One of his Majesty's keepers was on his way home when he heard a gun fired. He immediately went to the spot from whence the sound had come and saw a man running away. Just then a keeper on a nobleman's estate close by came up, having heard a shot. He saw a man with a gun who was about to get over a fence. He went up to him, and seeing he was a stranger, thought he had better use caution.

The keeper said: "Can I hold your gun while you get over the fence?" and the man thanked him and handed the keeper the gun. Having secured this, the keeper asked him what he was doing there, whereupon the man answered strangely, "I am here to shoot at some of the King's Majesty's birds." He then showed a handful of gold from his pocket, he asked the keeper if he could "square" him.

The King's keeper had now come on the scene. From his actions the keeper concluded that the man was insane, and this proved to be the case. He had borrowed a gun at Stough and had told some of his friends that he was going shooting with the King.

He was subsequently conveyed to an asylum. It appears that the man is a local bookmaker, who has suddenly lost his reason.

## DEADLY LA GRIPPE.

Canada Again Being Ravished by an Epidemic of This Disease.

Winter after winter Canada is swept from ocean to ocean by an epidemic of la grippe, or influenza. It is one of the deadliest troubles known to our climate. It starts with a sneeze—and ends with a complication. It lays the strong man on his back; it tortures him with fever and chills; it leaves the sufferer on easy prey to pneumonia, bronchitis, consumption and other deadly diseases. You can avoid la grippe by fortifying your system with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can cure its disastrous after-effects with this same medicine. These pills protect you; they cure you; they build you up; they banish all evil after-effects. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills ward off all winter ailments. They cure all blood and nerve disorders. They are the greatest blood-building and nerve tonic science has yet discovered. Ask your neighbors, no matter where you live, and you will learn of someone who has been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills after other medicines have failed. It is on the unbiased evidence of your neighbors that we ask you to give these pills a fair trial if you are sick or ailing. Mrs. Emma Doucet, St. Eulalie, Que., says: "Words can hardly express my gratitude for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me. I had an attack of la grippe which left me a sufferer from headaches and pain in the stomach. I used several medicines, but found nothing to help me until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. When I began them I was weak and very much run down. The pills have not only fully restored my health, but I gained in flesh while taking them. I recommend them to all sufferers."

You can get these pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## STONE BAROMETER.

There exists a stone which is said to unfailingly foretell changes in the weather. This stone was found in Finland many years ago by an explorer, and has since been watched by scientists with great interest. It presents a white, mottled appearance in sunshine, gradually turning from grey to black as a rain-storm approaches. The stone is composed of clay, nitre and rock salt. In dry weather the salt in the stone is prominent, but when the air is filled with moisture the salt absorbs the moisture and turns black, thus forming the barometer.

Teacher: "Mary, construct a sentence with 'dogma' as subject." Mary (after careful thought): "The dogma has three puppies."

## 2 POWERFUL INSTANCES

OF ZAM-BUK'S WONDERFUL HEALING.

Here are two powerful instances of the varied ways in which Zam-Buk the great herbal balm, is doing good throughout the Dominion. Have you not enjoyed its benefits?

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## Oxomulsion

(DR. SLOOM'S GREAT SCIENTIFIC EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL)

Is the greatest food and tissue builder known. It has no equal as a cure for all wasting diseases, and throat, chest and lung troubles. It is a germ destroyer and strength producer, nourishing and restoring the vital organs. It is a perfect food and valuable medicine combined. It is pleasant to take, it is predigested and easily borne by the most delicate stomach.

## Doctors Prescribe It

Many of the most prominent medical men prescribe it in their regular practice in preference to all others.

Dr. Norman Allen, of Toronto says: "As a stimulant to nutrition in wasting diseases Cod Liver Oil is the best tissue builder. Dr. Sloom's Oxomulsion is all-purposing taste and small are avoided, while retaining all the medicinal value of the pure oil."

Dr. Bruce L. Hixon, Physician and Surgeon to the T.R. says: "I have used Oxomulsion on the market are valuable on account of procedure to render them tasteless. Such procedure removes the active principle of the oil. I look upon Sloom's Oxomulsion as the best, for the reason that it is made of the pure oil and the highest state of emulsion. As an emulsion of pure Cod Liver Oil I consider Oxomulsion perfect."

Dr. T. Wyle, Grand Medical Examiner, Boston, says: "It affords me extreme pleasure to state in a position to be able to recommend Oxomulsion to invalids suffering from consumption, scrofula, or wasting diseases of any kind. I have prescribed Oxomulsion for years with great success to myself as well as comfort to my patients. I find it almost universally adapted to children and the aged with whom the system is feeble and the lymphatic condition below normal."

If you need Cod Liver Oil, or are weak and run down use Oxomulsion. At all drugists at 35c and \$1.00 per bottle.

## BELLES ROB BAZAARS.

Revelations of Gross Frauds at Berlin, Germany.

Astonishing revelations are being made of fraud committed by society women of Berlin, Germany, who make a practice of taking a prominent part in bazaars and other charity functions. It is shown that these "hyenas of charity," as they are called here, have not only victimized gatherings legitimately organized, but that they have been in the habit of engineering theatrical fetes, where they sold cups of coffee at \$1.25 and \$2.50 each, and other articles of refreshment at equally extravagant prices.

Those who were shocked by these and still more astonishing devices for obtaining money were told that everything was justifiable in the cause of charity.

Unfortunately, further revelations have made it clear that many of these nominally charitable ladies appropriated large sums of the money obtained in this way. One society belle, a prominent figure at all charitable fetes, systematically appropriated all gold coins paid to her and only handed over silver coins to the treasurer.

Recently one woman detected in the act of stealing money, was publicly assaulted at a charitable fete by a woman whose indignation carried her away. The sight of one fashionably-dressed lady whipping another gorgeously arrayed dame at an assembly attended by 2,000 persons created great excitement, and led to persistent enquiries as to the cause of the encounter.

Another "hyena of charity" was detected in the act of pocketing money and was compelled to disgorge her spoils on the spot, in full view of 40 or 50 contemptuous spectators. She was searched there and then, and gold coins were extracted from her pockets, from the folds of her dress, and even from her tiny shoes. Then she was driven from the building amid loud hisses and hoots.

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## THE TERM DEFINED.

Naggy—"The Rev. Dr. Fourlhy has quit beating the Bible with his fist since the congregation protested so vigorously against it."

Woggy—"Yes? I s'pose that's why he's called an ex-pounder of the Scriptures."

## EVER HAVE HEARTBURN?

OR ACID RIFTINGS OF FOOD?

Bileans End These Symptoms.

How? Because when food returns with that sour taste, or the "heartburn," wind after food, or any of these unpleasant "feelings of fullness," it is because your digestive system has given way for the time. The "food tax" upon its energies has been too heavy. Bileans just enter the stomach, and dissolving there, they liberate certain herbal essences which at once correct the gastric glands. These essences also pass into the blood and are carried to the liver. There they operate on the bile-secreting cells, and are carried to the delicate vessels of the intestines. All along, these herbal essences act beneficially, so that digestive disorders are corrected, the bowels are gently opened—not violently purged—the acid and fermenting substances are removed from the body, the blood is cleared of poisons and a feeling of lightness and restored vigor, with return of healthy appetite and freedom from all digestive troubles is the result. Bileans also cure constipation, debility, female ailments, piles, headache, and all liver, kidney and stomach disorders. Of all stores and druggists at 50 cents a box, or post free from the Bilean Co., Toronto, for price. 6 boxes sent for \$2.50.

## LONDON THE GREATEST PORT.

Tonnage for 1906 Was 27 Millions, the Largest on Record.

Lord Desborough, who was re-elected chairman of the Thames Conservancy the other day, gave some interesting figures in reviewing the work of the year.

The registered tonnage of ships entering and leaving the Port of London for the year 1906, he said, was 27,145,000, which was not only a record for the River Thames, but was greatly in excess of that of any other port in the world. The figures for the previous year were 25,807,000 tons.

He was pleased to say that the number of large vessels entering the port had also greatly increased. By large vessels he meant those of 5,000 tons and upwards. Such vessels 282 entered the port during the year 1906, as against 64 in the year 1900.

**INSULT TO INJURY.**

"That is what I call downright impudence," said Mrs. Biggins.

"What has occurred?" inquired her husband.

"The neighbors who recently moved next door are going to have company, so they sent in to borrow our drawing room rug. I let them have it, and in a little while they came back and said they didn't think it was handsome enough to go with their furniture, and could I lend them the money to buy a new one."

In the tenth century a cat was held equal in value to two hens.

She: "Why, it wasn't two minutes before he repeated it."

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS**

Restores the little organs to perfect health, cures all urinary troubles, without resort to surgery or other injurious drugs.

At druggists, 25c. 6 bottles \$1.25.

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## VICTORIA CROSS FOR OLD DEEDS.

Heroes of the British Army are to be Remembered.

The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the decoration of the Victoria Cross being delivered to the representatives of the undersigned officers and men who fell in the performance of acts of valor, and with reference to whom it was notified on various dates in the London Gazette that they would have been recommended by her late Majesty for the Victoria Cross had they survived. The acts of bravery are recounted in a recent issue of the London Gazette, and, briefly, were as follows:

Private Edward Spence, 42nd Regiment, at attack of the Fort of Ruhya, April 15, 1888, volunteered with Lance Corporal Thompson to assist in rescuing the body of an officer. Private Spence dauntlessly placed himself in an exposed position so as to cover the party leaving away the body.

Ensign Eardley Aloysius Lisle Phillips, of the 11th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, performed many gallant deeds during the siege of Delhi; wounded three times; killed in streets, September 18, 1850.

Lieutenant T. Melvill, 24th Foot; efforts to save the Queen's Color at Isandlwana, 1879.

Lieutenant N. J. A. Coghill, 24th Foot; efforts to save a brother officer's life, Isandlwana, 1879.

Trooper F. W. Baxter, Bulawayo Field Force; dismounted and gave his horse to wounded comrade when closely pursued, April 22, 1896.

Lieutenant H. L. S. Maclean, Indian Staff Corps; heroism in rescuing comrade at Varna Kill, Upper Sural, 1897.

A bottle of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, taken according to directions, will subdue a cough in a short time. This assertion can be verified by hundreds who have tried it and are pleased to bear testimony to its merits, so that all may know what a splendid medicine it is. It costs you only 25 cents to join the ranks of the many who have been benefited by its use.

A woman doesn't greatly object to confessing her age if she doesn't look it.

A Napping Cough drives sleep and comfort away. Allen's Lung Balm relieves bad breathing, pain in the chest and irritation of the throat. Give it freely to the children.

Mice have twenty teeth; rabbits, 28; sheep and oxen, 32.

A Sound Stomach Means a Clear Head.—The high pressure of a nervous life which business men of the present day are constrained to live make draughts upon their vitality highly detrimental to their health. It is only by the most careful treatment that they are able to keep themselves alert and active in their various callings, many of them know the value of Parmele's Vegetable Pills in regulating the stomach and consequently keeping the head clear.

## ONCE WAS ENOUGH.

"May I kiss you?" he asked.

"Yes, on the forehead," she answered. "Nothing doing," he rejoined. "The last time I kissed a girl on the forehead I got a bang on the mouth."

Poets are born, but good husbands are made.

The Wretched Condition of thousands is due to the fact that they neglect the simplest care of their health. When in this condition "Ferrovin" will build you up and give you strength.

Unless a man has money he can't afford to be eccentric.

Known to Thousands.—Parmele's Vegetable Pills regulate the action of the secretions, purify the blood and keep the stomach and bowels free from deleterious matter. Taken according to direction they will overcome dyspepsia, eradicate biliousness, and leave the digestive organs healthy and strong to perform their functions. Their merits are well-known to thousands who know by experience how beneficial they are in giving tone to the system.

This is the glorious season when a scent's worth of flowers cost a dollar.

What is the Best Thing to strengthen weak men? "The D & L" Plaster. It will cure lumbago and rheumatism. \$1 rolls makes 1000 plaster. Davis & Lawrence Co. Montreal.

Asparagus is the oldest known plant that has been used for food.

Great Medicine.—Toni, one of the pioneers of French Canada, lost a hand and wore an iron hook as a substitute. He was in the habit of boxing the ears of refractory Indians with this iron hand, and they have remarked that it was "great medicine." Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is great medicine. It takes hold of pain with an iron hand and knocks it out of the system.

A man who acts small makes a big mistake.

Women can always see the point of a pointless joke.

A camel can carry twice the burden of an ox, or 400lb.

**Nurses' & Mothers' Treasure**—most reliable medicine for baby. Used over 50 years. First compounded by Dr. P. E. Picault in 1855.

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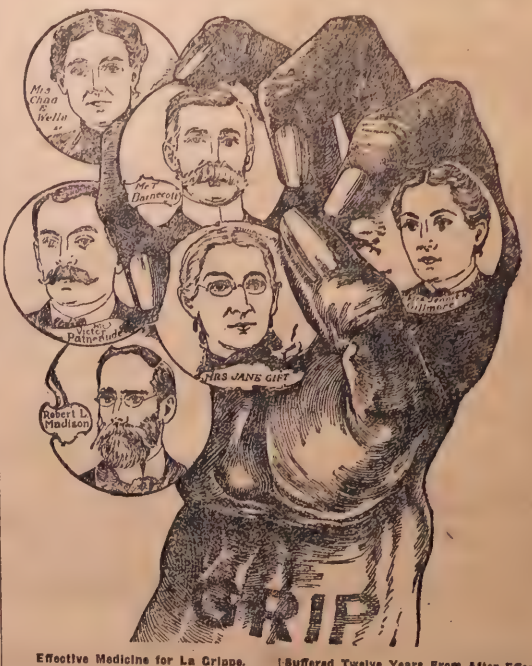
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Sportsman—"I wonder what's become of Mike? I told him to meet me here." Driver—"Ach, 'tis no use tellin' him anything! Sure, sort, 'tis just goes in the back of the month, like water off a duck's back!"

**WANTED.**

Ladies to do plain and light sewing at home, whole or spare time, good pay. Work sent any distance, charges extra. Send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal.

## CAUGHT BY THE GRIP-- RELEASED BY PE-RU-NA.



Effective Medicine for La Grippe.

Robert L. Madison, A.M., Principal of Calverton High School, Painter, N. C., writes: "Peruna is the most effective medicine that I have ever tried for la grippe. It also cured my wife of nasal catarrh. Her condition at one time was such that she could not at night breathe through her nostrils."

La Grippe and Systemic Catarrh.

Mrs. Jennie W. Gilmore, Box 44, White Oak, Ind. Ter., writes: "Six years ago I had la grippe, followed by systemic catarrh. The only thing I used was Peruna and Manalin, and I have been in better health the last three years than for years before."

Mrs. Jane Gift, Athens, Ohio, writes: "Six years ago I had la grippe very bad. My husband bought me a bottle of Peruna. I was soon able to do my work."

Suffered Twelve Years From After Effects of La Grippe.

Mr. Victor Patneaud, 333 Madison St., Toledo, Kan., writes: "Twelve years ago I had a severe attack of la grippe, and I never really recovered my health until two years ago. I began using Peruna and it built up my strength, so that in a couple of months I was able to go to work again."

Pneumonia Followed La Grippe.

Mr. T. Barnicot, West Aylmer, Ontario, Canada, writes: "Last winter I was ill with pneumonia after having la grippe. I took Peruna for two months, when I became quite well."

Peruna-A Tonic After La Grippe.

Mrs. Chas. E. Wells, Sr., Delaware, Ohio, writes: "After a severe attack of la grippe, I took Peruna and found it a very good tonic."

**SHE DELIGHTS IN IT.**

Gladys: "What an unhappy disposition Gwendolen has?"

Esmeralda: "She? Nothing of the sort. She merely has a disposition for making other people unhappy."

## BROOKS' NEW CURE FOR RUPTURE

Brooks' Appliance. New discovery. Wonderful. No obnoxious springs or pads. Automatic Air Control. Binds and draws the broken parts together as you would a broken limb. No surgery. No hospital. No pain. Durable. Permanent. TRIAL. Catalogue Free. C. E. BROOKS, 3013 Tremont Bldg., MONTREAL, QUE.

## NO CAUSE FOR WORRY.

"Suppose, doctor, this operation doesn't succeed?"

"My dear fellow, if it doesn't you'll never know it!"

Holloway's Corn Cure is a specific for the removal of corns and warts. We have never heard of its failing to remove even the worst kind.

## TEN YEARS AFTER.

Wife: "I came across a bundle of your old love letters to-day."

Husband: "Did you read them over?"

Wife: "Yes."

Husband: "And what was the effect of that perusal?"

Wife: "I wondered which was the bigger fool—you for writing them or I for marrying you after receiving them."

## ABUSED INTO SUCCESS.

"To what do you attribute your success?" asked the plain citizen.

"To the abuse I have received," answered the political boss.

Comfort by day and sound sleep by night follow the use of Weaver's Cerate, for skin troubles, no matter how tormenting they be. This ointment soothes and cleanses.

It takes 400 tons of beetroot to give from 26 to 30 tons of sugar.

Pale, sick children should use Mother Graves' Worm Extirminator. Worms are one of the principal causes of suffering in children and should be expelled from the system.

## POWERFUL SUGGESTION.

A doctor who was recounting some of his experiences of hypnotism, related the following story:—

"I once had a patient who was ill with consumption, and who ought to have gone to a warmer climate, but whose means were insufficient, but resolved to try what hypnotism would do for him. I had a huge sun chalked on the ceiling of his room, and by suggestion induced him to think it was the sun, which would cure him. The ruse succeeded, and he was getting daily better when one day on my arrival I found he was dead."

"Did it fall, after all, then?" asked the physician's hearers.

"No," replied the doctor, "he died of sun-stroke."

## INNOCENT.

The Colonel (at young Addie Pate's examination for military service): "Is there any reason why you should not serve your three years? Have you any infirmity?"

Young Addie Pate: "Yes, Colonel, I am frightened."

"Prove it!"

"Well, do you see that nail over there in the wall?"

"Well, I don't."

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Splendid 56 acre Farm, County of Elgin, 2 miles from Duart, good soil, fruit and buildings, price \$15,000. Apply at once. Western Real Estate Exchange, Limited, London, Ont.

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and faded Suits would look better dyed. If an agent of ours in your town, write direct Montreal, Box 133. BRITISH AMERICAN DYING CO. MONTREAL.

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DELAWARE FRUIT, TRUCK, POULTRY Farms, \$700 to \$25,000; splendid bargains; free catalogue. CHAS. M. HAMMOND. Real Estate Broker, Milford, Del.

## FRIENDSHIP'S TRIBUTE.

Nan: "I wonder if that's a real diamond that Kitty's wearing on her finger. Do you know who the young man is?"

Fan: "I don't know of any young man, but I know it's a real diamond. I happened in when she was buying it."

## Dear Mother

Your little ones are a constant care to me. Fall and Winter weather. They will catch cold. Do you know about Shiloh's Catarrh Cure, the Lung Tonic, and what it has done for so many? It is said to be the only reliable remedy for all diseases of the ear passages in children. It is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take. It is guaranteed to cure your mother's ailments. The price is 25c. per bottle, and all dealers in medicine sell.

## SHILOH

This remedy should be in every household.



# THE STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS.

STIRLING, HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1907.

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All the new shades in Tweeds.  
New Wash Collars, Belts and Ties to match.  
Fancy white Muslins—10 cents up.  
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Only 1 Tie Down left—\$3.50 for \$2.50.  
White Bed Spreads,—75 cts., \$1.00 and \$1.35.  
Sateen Skirts,—\$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75.  
Long white Silk Gloves,

### Groceries

Best Table Syrup.  
Oatmeal—8 lbs. for 25 cts.  
Clean Currants—3 lbs. for 25 cts.  
Oranges and Lemons—20 cts. per doz.

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And have a large quantity of their Knives and Forks on hand.

See our School Clocks. They are fitted with the  
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### Trent Valley Canal

#### Trenton Selected as the Outlet.

The long outstanding question as to whether the outlet of the Trent Valley Canal would be at Trenton or Port Hope has at last been decided in favor of Trenton. Careful surveys have been made of both routes by the Department of Railways and Canals, and the result has been to indicate that Trenton, on the whole, has more in its favor as an outlet for this waterway than has Port Hope. The surveys show that the difference between the two routes, so far as construction is concerned, is not very material. In this respect Port Hope has a somewhat stronger claim. The distance, compared with Trenton, is somewhat shorter. The cost of construction therefore would be, according to the engineers' report, about \$40,000 less to Port Hope than to Trenton. But this does not take into account the land damages and waterpower privileges, in which respect the Trenton route is found to be better. One great factor in favor of Trenton is that barges can be taken from Midland through the Trent Valley Canal to Montreal with perfect safety, being landlocked all the way. If Port Hope had been selected as an outlet these barges would have to be towed for a considerable distance out in the open lake, a rather risky if not impossible experiment in severe weather.

#### To Maintain Ontario's Rights.

The Ontario Government has thrown down the gauntlet, and the fight for the control of railway and public utility companies enjoying special privileges obtainable only by the sanction of the Legislature of this Province, but which seek to evade Provincial jurisdiction by afterwards securing incorporation at Ottawa, declaring their organizations to be "for the general advantage of Canada," has begun. At Tuesday's session of the Legislature a most drastic measure was introduced intended to protect the rights of the Province. Hon. Mr. Hendrie, in introducing the measure, varied the usual practice of first readings by quoting some of the terms of the bill, and added a few comments. In effect the measure provides that any company operating a public utility incorporated under a general or special act of this Province, which shall afterwards by act of the Dominion Parliament be declared to be for the general advantage of Canada, or which is absorbed, amalgamated with, controlled, or operated by any other company, so declared, shall, unless the Lieutenant-Governor in Council otherwise decides, lose all "powers, rights, privileges and franchises" conferred by letters patent or any act of the Province. In addition, agreements made by such companies with municipalities for the exercise of their franchises shall become void, and the companies shall forfeit all claim to any bonus or aid granted by the corporation.

It is also provided that hereafter no municipal corporation in the Province shall enter into contract with or pass a by-law in relation to any railway or public utility company declared to be for the general advantage of Canada, or which is not within the legislative jurisdiction of the Province, until such by-law or agreement has been approved of by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. Otherwise such agreements or by-laws shall be void. The act does not affect the validity of debentures issued by a municipality for payment of bonus.

It is reported that the Government will extend the beet sugar bounty for three years.

Charles McGill, former Manager of the Ontario Bank, has been taken to Kingston Penitentiary to serve a term of five years.

Twenty persons were killed and about fifty seriously injured on Saturday night in a train wreck in New York city.

Miss Marjorie Taylor, an eleven-year-old Belleville girl, has been awarded the Governor-General's medal as the youngest pupil to pass the high school entrance examination.

#### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite

"We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury, of Twining, Mich. "It has also done the work for us in hard colds and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by Morton & Haight.

## The Sovereign Bank of Canada

has 1195 Shareholders and over 50,000 Customers.

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STIRLING, HAVELOCK, MARMORA.

STIRLING BRANCH.

### Madoc Junction Items.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fitchett is ill.

Miss Edna Tweed, of Rossmore, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. S. Clarke.

Mrs. Wm. French and Master Melville are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Juby in Stirling.

Mr. Geo. Bird, who has been quite ill with la grippe, is slowly improving.

Mrs. E. Davis and Mrs. H. Ashley spent a day this week with Mr. Neil Davis in Foxboro.

Mrs. R. Thistle, of Tweed, has been visiting Mrs. S. Stapley.

Mr. Wm. French spent a day last week with his brother, Mr. J. French, in Crookston.

Mr. Ketcheson of Moira occupied the pulpit here on Sunday.

Mr. T. Eggleton, Mrs. A. W. Andrews, and Miss E. Eggleton of Watertown, spent Sunday in Marmora with Mr. A. Eggleton.

### Foxboro Notes

The valetine social in connection with the W. M. S. of the Methodist church was a very funny and enjoyable affair. The sum of \$18 was netted for the society.

The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. Jas. Miller on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 24th. Lessons in fancy work will be given by Mrs. Lillian Henderson to members of the society who wish to improve the opportunity. All are cordially invited to attend. A number from here accepted the invitation of the W. I. of Wallbridge to visit their society last Tuesday afternoon, and report having spent a very pleasant time.

Mr. John and Miss Gertrude Cummings of Neepawa, Man., and Miss Bertha Tucker of Sine, spent a few days last week the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Melzer Wickert.

Miss Amelia Clarke spent a couple of weeks with friends near Shannonville.

Miss Cora Wright, of Eldorado is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Ashley.

Look out for the Literary Society's entertainment on Monday evening Feb. 25th. Something special.

Mrs. Leona Hubble is spending a week in Belleville, the guest of Mrs. F. P. Thompson.

### Harold

The funeral of the late Mrs. Norris took place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Heath, on Tuesday of last week. The deceased lady was 81 years of age, and was highly respected in this neighborhood, where she had frequently visited.

Mrs. Earl Bailey spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kirk, at Chapman.

Mr. James Woodard has returned to Marmora. His mother, who has been in a dangerous condition for some time, shows slight signs of improvement.

Mr. Woodard is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Sylvia Inholz, who has spent the past few months with her aunt, Mrs. German Bailey, returned last week to her home in Belleville.

Little Sherwood Inghalls has been under the Dr.'s care for some time, but is now thought to be out of danger.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Milton spent a few days of last week at Eldorado.

Mrs. Horton is visiting her daughter at Ivanhoe.

Mr. Chas. Patterson, of Brighton, spent a few days of last week with his uncle, Mr. Gay.

Miss Myrtle Bailey is visiting her friend, Miss Stella Kirk at Chapman.

Mrs. Roberts of Chicago, and Mrs. Holcomb of Buffalo, attended the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Norris, and were guests of Mrs. Heath last week.

The new School Act apparently has few admirers in North Frontenac, where the recent restrictions have made it almost impossible to get teachers. In one section three schools have been closed for some time, and the children are suffering from the lack of instruction.

### Neglected Colds Threaten Life

[From the Chicago Tribune.]

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Every food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary light cold will become severe if neglected, and a well-established ripe cold is to the germ of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to children at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. It cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by Morton & Haight.

## £ Sterling Hall

NOW that our Annual Stock-taking has been completed, we are very busy opening up large shipments of New Spring Goods and placing them in order for public inspection. "STERLING HALL" is ready for a bigger business than ever with the most dependable and attractive goods in every line, at the most reasonable of prices. Remember that we guarantee our prices to be as low on the same quality of goods as any of the city mail-order houses, and further, we will cheerfully procure for our customers, at cost, any lines of Dry Goods, etc., which we do not carry in stock. This is a proposition worthy of your serious consideration and testing, and we stand ready to show you the power of our buying advantages.

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Dainty and Attractive.

Every day for the last two weeks large additions to our powerful stock of New Spring Dress Goods have been rolling in. The mills of England, France and Germany have all favored us with their best productions, and you will readily admit that never before have the people of Stirling had such an opportunity for choice. Blacks, greys and creams predominate, with navys, browns and greens next in order of selection.

### RIBBONS

Experience has taught us how and when to buy Ribbons. Its going to be another big Ribbon season. Get in touch with our values if you want right prices.

Special value in bright finished Taffeta Ribbons, in all shades, at 5c, 8c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c per yard; worth more money.

### LADIES' WHITEWEAR

This line has been stocked more largely than usual. Our "Crescent" brand goods have the best of style and value.

Great variety in Corset Covers at ..	15 cents to \$1.00
" " Drawers at ..	25 " to 1.00
" " Gowns at ..	50 " to 2.00
" " Skirts at ..	50 " to 2.50

### NEW PRINTS AND DELAINES

Several hundred pieces of New Prints and just-as-Delaines are on the tables ready for inspection. The mill price of these goods is away up, but we will still sell at former prices. Come early and get first choice.

Crum's 32-inch Prints in Navys, Lilacs, Greys, Pinks, Blacks and Light fancies at ..	12 1/2 cts.
Heavy 32-inch Prints in Blacks and Light fancies, per yard ..	10 cts.
Dress Ducks in Navys, Blacks, Reds at ..	12 1/2 cts.
" Ginghams at ..	10 cts, 12 1/2 cts, and 15 cts.
" Chambrays at ..	10 cts, 12 1/2 cts, and 15 cts.

### Early Spring Inducements for Men

Fortune has favored us with early shipments of Easter Shirts, Collars and Ties. The qualities and styles as well as prices are pleasing.

New Shirts and Coat Shirts at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25	
" Ties at ..	25c, 35c, 50c.
Collars at ..	2 for 25 cts., and 2 for 35 cts.

W. R. MATHER,

Direct Importer of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods and Retailer of Everything to wear for Everybody.

Letterheads, Noteheads, Billheads, Statements, Envelopes, and all office stationery printed in good style at New-Artists' office. A large stock of various quantities always on hand. Prices right.

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A Candy Bowl Laxative.

### Farm for Sale.

First class Dairy farm, partly situated in the Village of Stirling. Particulars from

DR. IOTTS, Stirling.



When hauled up his body had  
crushed to a pulp by the pressure  
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In the past fifty years the world's  
food crop has increased eightfold.



## TORTURED BY INDIGESTION

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Cured After Doctors Had Failed.

Mrs. T. J. John, 308 King street, Quebec, wife of the circulation manager of L'Evening, is one of the best known and most estimable ladies in the city, and her statement that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured her of a very severe attack of indigestion will bring hope to similar sufferers. Mrs. John says: "About a year ago I was seized with indigestion which had an alarming effect upon my health. Day by day my strength grew less. I suffered from terrible headaches, dizziness, palpitation of the heart and sleeplessness. I was in this condition for about six months. I consulted two doctors and although I followed their treatment carefully it did not help me in the least. Last October, seeing that instead of regaining my health I was growing worse, I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After I had taken the second box there was a change for the better, and after taking the pills for a month longer the trouble entirely disappeared, and I am again enjoying the best of health. I have so much confidence in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I always take them occasionally as a safeguard. Just as surely as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured Mrs. John's indigestion they can cure all other ailments which come from bad blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills actually make new, red blood. That is the one thing they do—but they do it well. In making this new rich blood this medicine strikes straight at the root of such common ailments as anaemia, headaches and backaches, general weakness, nervous debility, neuralgia, rheumatism and the torturing weakening ailments that afflict women and growing girls. You can get these pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## TINNED MERMAID.

A New Delicacy From the Australian Seas.

Episodes of the more adventurous sort will before long have the opportunity of passing judgment on tinned dugong, a delicacy which will soon appear on the London and Paris markets from Northern Queensland, says the Country Gentleman. The dugong, which is an aquatic animal, and no fish, is common in some of the shallow waters off the Queensland coast, and as it is a clean feeder, consuming the seagrass which grows on the shoals, there seems certainly no reason why its flesh should not be appetizing enough.

The dugong's gentle attitude in the water and habit of clasping its young to its breast gave it a queerly human appearance in the eyes of early mariners and explorers, and it has perhaps not yet ceased to appear stuffed in travelling shows as the authentic body of a mermaid. Its decline from this romantic role to the level of mere tinned meat is doubtless characteristic of our prosaic and industrial age.

## TROUBLE AHEAD FOR PERCY.

"Miriam" said her mother, "Percy Flaxman is an excellent young man, with desirable family connections, and upon the whole I have no objection to your receiving him on a family footing, but you must not allow him to presume upon the fact that you have accepted a present from him."

"I won't, mamma," said the proud young beauty. "If he gets chesier over it I'll give him the clammy flipper the next time he blows in here."

## BABY'S BEST FRIEND.

Baby's Own Tablets have saved many a precious life. There is no other medicine to equal them for stomach and bowel troubles, colds, simple fevers or teething troubles. They are good for children of all ages—from the newborn babe to the well grown child. And the mother has the guarantee of a government analyst that they do not contain opiates or harmful drugs. Mrs. John C. Gildart, Prosser, Brook N. B., says: "I have proved that Baby's Own Tablets are a great help to mothers, and are baby's best friend. They act almost like magic and I will always keep them in the house." The Tablets are sold by druggists or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## AN EXCEPTION.

Plum. "Here is an item that says a new anesthetic has been discovered that will enable a patient to watch himself being operated upon."

Duff. "Eh! Supposing you were boring into the back of his head?"

If your children are troubled with worms, give them Mother Gray's Worm Expeller; safe, sure and effective. Try it, and mark the improvement in your child.

## TEA MADE WITH MELTED SNOW.

A Borneo doctor has discovered that tea made with melted snow is a cure for nervous diseases. The doctor declares that he has cured people with this elixir when all other remedies have failed. He melts the snow over a slow fire, and then boils the water.



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## SECRET OF GETTING FAT

MAN SHOULD EAT ONE PER CENT. OF HIS WEIGHT EACH DAY.

How to Grow Thin Also Revealed in This Simple Rule for Regulating Diet.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, Chief of the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture, is authority for the statement that every man eats every day "one per cent. of his weight in dry food, and it requires one hundred days for him to eat his own head off." If a man eats less he will lose weight. Dr. Wiley asserts, and will be good news to the fat who want to get thin and the thin who want to get fat. Dr. Wiley adds that every person should consume four and a half pounds of solids and liquids every day, but in doing the ordinary work of a clerk this amount is above the average.

Dr. Wiley never made an investigation to determine the best diet for mental labor, but he believed the general opinion that particular kinds of foods nourished particular parts of the body was quite erroneous. "Nerve and brain foods are advertised, but they are all nonsense," said Dr. Wiley. "Nor do drugs have a fattening effect. On the contrary, arsenic up to a certain point has a fattening effect. A man gains in weight for a time and then dies; but that is a poison."

WOULD CHOOSE OWN RATION. "A man may drink a glass of typhoid grims if he is in vigorous health and may not get typhoid fever, because his system may throw off the poison, but if he is broken down one of the germs will produce typhoid. Not a man but has a pneumonia germ in his mouth. It will not affect the healthy body, but let a man get a cold and it will take its seat in his lungs."

"What do you consider the best food for a man to eat?" Dr. Wiley was asked. "I think a man ought to choose his own ration," he replied. "Lots of people are vegetarians. I think we eat too much meat for health. For the sustenance of physical exertion if you have hard work to do there is nothing better than starch or sugar. The cereal eating nations can endure more physical toil than the meat eating nations. That is not the accepted view, but it is true. You cannot tire out a Japanese, who eats rice. He will draw you all around the town on a pound of rice, and be as fresh at the close of the day as you are at the start. You could not do that on a pound of meat to save your life."

Dr. Wiley told of his "boys" in his "poison squad." "This is the fifth year," he said, "that we have been testing the effect upon health and digestion of preservatives, colors and other substances that have been commonly used in our foods."

"The young men are first allowed to eat wholesome food," he went on. "We let the best in the market. It is carefully inspected by myself and analyzed. They have a preliminary period, during which we vary the ration, so that they do not either gain or lose in weight. Then we add a small quantity of one of the preservatives, like borax, adding half a grain a day to their food. They eat that for ten days. Then we increase it to a grain, and they eat that for another ten days."

## NOT A THING WASTED.

"Nothing is wasted. If they trim their finger nail is they have to bring the trimmings to us, or if their hair is cut they bring us their hair, so we can keep track of the income and outgo, just as you keep a bank account. In that way we can determine whether these things disturb the natural progress of affairs. We keep that up until we make them ill, until we produce some effect, a disturbance of some kind. Then we put them on the old ration and observe that for ten or fifteen days, until they are restored to normal condition. This requires an enormous amount of analytical work, and yet it is the only way in which these great questions can be answered. You can theorize about it as much as you like, but the facts must be ascertained before a final conclusion."

"One of the interesting things we found was the effect of fumes of burning sulphur, so commonly used in the preservation of foods. We examined microscopically the blood of each of our young men. We counted the blood corpuscles, white and red, and the amount of coloring matter, and we found that the moment they began to take sulphuric acid their blood corpuscles began to fade and became diminished in number, the oxygen carrying capacity of the blood being diminished."

## PRACTICAL ENGLISH JUDGE.

Retaining Wig and Gown, Dons Borrowed "Plug" and Tests Auto. There was an amusing interlude to the proceedings in the Brompton County Court (England), recently, when, in an action brought against Mr. Joseph Lyons, of West Kensington Gardens, W., concerning a motor car, Sir William Selfe, the judge, led the jury into the street, where the vehicle was standing, and tested the seats in the interior and the chauffeur's seat.

The plaintiff claimed £50 for fitting a landaulet body to a chassis owned by Mr. Lyons; but there were complaints that there was not quite enough head room in the motor car, and that the space between the chauffeur's driving wheel and the exterior of the carriage was insufficient.

At the inspection both the judge and Mr. Rose Innes, defendant's counsel, much to the amusement of the bystanders took off their wigs and gowns and in turn put on a borrowed silk-hat to test the height of the carriage. His Honor also tried the chauffeur's seat. Finally judgment was entered for the plaintiff.

"At last, the lawyers can't split hairs over that case!" "How do you know they can't?" "Because there's nothing in it but bald facts."

## NO-HAT BRIGADE.

Warm-Clad Mothers in England Expose Children to Windy Vigor.

The "No-Hat" Brigade in England seems this winter to be composed only of infants of tender years. These little babes, whose mothers expose their fluffy bare heads to the coldness of east winds, can be seen in every part of London.

On Wimbledon Common, on a bitter day recently dozens of baby members of the "No-Hat" Brigade were being subjected to the new treatment by nurses who were well bonneted and protected from the wintry breezes. Mothers, themselves fur-coated and wearing fur hats, can be seen leading small children, of ages up to five and six years, clothed in the scantiest of outfits. The little ones wear short socks, sleeveless coats, no head-gear, and neither garments which leave the knees and legs exposed.

Sometimes the unprotected limbs of the little ones are literally blue with the cold; still they parade the streets and victims of a craze dear to those who do not suffer from its observance.

## HAVE YOUR CHILDREN ANY SORES, RINGWORM OR ULCERS?

ZAM-BUK WILL SURELY CURE

Here are a few instances of Zam-Buk's healing power:

Three children in one family in Burk's Falls have been cured of serious skin diseases by Zam-Buk.

Mrs. Minnie Eliff, of St. John's West Welland County, says: "My baby had a kind of rash on his head—quite a lot of small red spots and pimples. I applied Zam-Buk and was delighted with the result."

Mrs. Goring, of Longford Mills, says: "Zam-Buk is a wonderful healer of ringworm. I tried everything that could be thought of, but nothing was able to cure until Zam-Buk came. It is a fine remedy."

Wm. Scott, of Portland, writes: "Zam-Buk seems to take the pain out of sores, wounds and skin injuries as soon as applied and then it heals them in quick time. That has been my experience and I have used Zam-Buk in the home for some time."

Zam-Buk is particularly adapted to delicate and tender skins. It is free from all mineral coloring matter and from animal fat, being purely herbal. It heals cuts, burns, bruises, ulcers, clapped sores, eczema, ringworm, running sores, bad leg, enlarged veins, piles, scaling sores, etc. As an embolism it cures rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, and rubbed well on to the chest in cases of cold eases the tightness and aching.

A box of ointment and stores sell at 50c. A box of ointment free from the Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price. 6 boxes sent for \$2.50.

## NO DIFFERENCE.

Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid cures any form of Piles, Internal, External, Bleeding, Itching, Suppurating, etc., are simply names of the stages through which every case will pass if it continues.

Piles are caused by congestion of blood in the lower bowel, and it takes an internal remedy to remove the cause. Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid is a tablet taken internally, and no case of Piles has ever been found it failed to cure. Money back if it does fail.

"We keep that up until we make them ill, until we produce some effect, a disturbance of some kind. Then we put them on the old ration and observe that for ten or fifteen days, until they are restored to normal condition. This requires an enormous amount of analytical work, and yet it is the only way in which these great questions can be answered. You can theorize about it as much as you like, but the facts must be ascertained before a final conclusion."

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"The kitchen-maid is too stuck up to associate with the cook." "How about the cook?" "The cook says there is no pride about her; if there was she wouldn't be working for us."

Mild in Their Action—Parsmele's Vegetable Pills are very mild in their action. They do not cause griping in the stomach or cause disturbances there as so many pills do. Therefore, the most delicate can take them without fear of unpleasant results. They can, too, be administered to children without imposing the penalties which follow the use of pills so carefully prepared.

"Have you lost another tooth, Bertha?" asked Annie, who noticed an unusual lisp. "Yes," replied the four-year-old, "and I limp now when I talk."

"Don't give up in despair, you who suffer from obstinate disfigurements of the skin. Anoint the sore spots with Weaver's Ointment and purify the blood with Weaver's Blood. All druggists keep them."

Tommy Twaddles: "Oh, I don't want to go to school." Pa Twaddles: "But don't you want a good education?" Tommy Twaddles (ingratiatingly): "No, pa; I'd rather grow up to be just like you."

They are a Powerful Nervine—Dyspepsia causes derangement of the nervous system, and nervous debility once engendered is difficult to deal with. There are many testimonials as to the efficacy of Parsmele's Vegetable Pills in treating this disorder, showing that they never fail to produce good results. By giving proper tone to the digestive organs, they restore equilibrium to the nervous system.

Since 1840, 1,300,000 acres of Irish land have gone out of cultivation.

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## COLTSFOOTE EXPECTORANT

The Quickest Safest Surest Throat and Cough CURE IN THE WORLD

The reason is it CURES everybody who takes it—young and old alike. The children love it—almost like honey. It is absolutely free from harmful ingredients. It is the greatest household remedy of the age. No home should be without it. It acts immediately upon the irritated spot, stopping the cough, allaying inflammation, strengthening the throat, voice and chest, making breathing easy, and giving quick and permanent relief to those having coughs, colds, croup, whooping-cough, sore throat, bronchitis, asthma and lung trouble. One fond mother, who knows, says:

"I have no hesitancy in recommending Coltsfoote's Expectorant, which I have used time and again, and consider it the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds. We keep it constantly in our home, and it is the best household remedy I have known. Coltsfoote is like no other cough remedy I have ever used. It is so soothing and healing, and I feel sure it is a purely vegetable preparation."

MRS. D. MAHONEY, Hamilton, Ont.

Mother! Father! Do not let that boy's or girl's cough run on without attention, thus endangering their lives, when a 25c bottle of Coltsfoote's Expectorant will cure it. Get it from your dealer. Keep it in the house always.

"He said that if I would marry him he would conquer the world." "Well, did he?" "Not yet; he hasn't conquered mamma yet!"

It is easier to prevent than it is to cure. Inflammation of the lungs is the companion of neglected colds, and once it finds a lodgment in the system it is difficult to deal with. Treatment with Bick's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will eradicate the cold and prevent inflammation from setting in. It costs little, and is as satisfactory as it is surprising in its results.

Love sees enough in one plate of ice-cream with two spoons. Matrimony places a regular order for a whole freezer.

Intelligent Treatment with Allen's Lung Balm brings up the phlegm, stops the cough and eases the chest, overcomes that terrible cold which, neglected, leads to consumption.

Higgins: "Old Goltrox is a distant relative of yours, isn't he?" Higgins: "Yes; and the richer he becomes the more distant he is!"

All filling broils and shoes cause corns. Holaway's Corn Cure is the article to use. Get a bottle at once and cure your corns.

## MEAN OF HER.

Miss Gaddie: "Did you hear about the spiteful thing Miss Meanley said to May on her wedding day?" Miss Ascum: "You mean May who married old Mr. DeSember?" Miss Gaddie: "Yes. She said she wished them both long life."

## BROOKS' NEW CURE FOR RUPTURE

Brooks' Appliance. New Discovery. Wonderful. No dangerous springs or pads. Automatic Air Cushions. Binds and draws the broken parts together as you would a broken limb. No surgery. No lymphol. No pills. Durable cheap. Put Sept. 10, 1911. SENT ON TRIAL. CATALOGUE FREE.

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## AHEAD OF THE GAME.

The wedding had just been pulled off and the presents were many and costly. "Suppose," she said, "our marriage should turn out to be a failure."

"In that case," he replied, "we can divide the presents."

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## BRITAIN'S STREET CARS.

Growth of Traffic is Enormous—2,236,000,000 Passengers in 1908.

The remarkable growth of tramway traffic in the United Kingdom is indicated in a return issued by the Board of Trade. The following figures show the extent of the progress made since 1887:

Miles of route, 1887, 209; 1908, 2,240. Passengers, 1878, 146,000,000; 1908, 2,236,000,000. Net receipts, 1878, £220,056; 1908, £3,874,515. Capital expenditure, 1878, £1,273,350; 1908, £58,177,832.

The popularity of electric traction, both overhead and conduit, may be gauged from the fact that of the total number of miles open only 246 are not worked by electricity. Local authorities owning and working their tramway undertakings made a net profit of £2,520,733 on last year's traffic out of which they applied £663,365 towards the reduction of tramway debt and £205,981 in relief of rates, while carrying £233,617 to reserve and renewal funds.

In regard to the London County Council tramways the total length of line open to March last last year was fifty miles on the northern system and fifty-three miles on the southern system. The number of passengers carried was 185,544,089. The cars covered a distance of no fewer than 15,797,502 miles in the course of the year. The number of miles run by all the tramcars in the kingdom was 245,149,455.

## TREES THAT WHISTLE.

The musical tree that grows in the West India Islands has a leaf of peculiar shape, and pods with split or open edges. The wind passing through these creates the sound which gives the tree its name. In Barbados there is a valley filled with these plants, and when the trade winds blow across the island a constant moaning, deep-toned whistle is heard, which, in the still hours of the night, has a weird and unpleasant effect. It is a species of acacia, growing abundantly in the Southern, is also called by the same name. Its shoots are frequently, by the agency of the larvae of the forest insects, distorted in shape, and swollen into a globular bladder, from one to two inches in diameter. After the insect has emerged from a little circular hole in the side of the swelling, the opening, played upon by the wind, becomes a musical instrument, equal in sound to a sweet-toned flute.

We All Have Missions in the World—There is a work to do for every man on earth, there is a function to perform for everything on earth, animal and inanimate. Everything has a mission, and the mission of Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil is to just burn and wounds of every description and cure coughs, colds, croup and all affections of the respiratory organs.

Suffrage Leader: "You don't seem the least worried about the fact that women are crowding out men in every profession." "Sandy Pikes: "No, mum. They'll never crowd men out in the tramp profession, mum."

Everyone That Takes his own cross is the heaviest. When confined to the house with a pain in the side for instance, but it would be quickly forgotten if he had a "D & L" Medical Plaster was applied. They only cost a trifle, why not try them?

## CUTTING CAVES WITH WATER.

The effect of the hydraulic motor, which is now used for the purpose of removing masses of earth, well-nigh passes belief. A stream of water issuing from a pipe six inches in diameter, with a fall behind it of 3 1/2 feet, will carry away a solid rock weighing a ton or more to a distance of fifty or a hundred feet. The velocity of the stream is terrific, and the column of water projected is so solid that if a crowbar or other heavy object be thrust against it the impinging object will be hurled a considerable distance. By this stream of water a man would be instantly killed if he came into contact with it, even at a distance of a couple of hundred feet. At 200 feet from the nozzle a six-inch stream, with 375 feet fall, projected momentarily against the trunk of a tree, will in a second denude it of the heaviest bark as cleanly as if it had been cut with an axe. Whenever such a stream is turned against a bank it cuts and burrows it in every direction, hollowing out great caves, and causing tons of earth to melt and fall and be washed away in the sluices.

"That man is so honest he wouldn't steal a pin," said Mr. Goode. "I never thought much of the pin test," answered Mr. Cayenne. "Try him with an umbrella."

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THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 1907.

The citizens of Stirling are justly proud of their village and the enterprise of its people. Realizing as they do that the interests of Stirling are identical with those of the farmers of the surrounding country they have done everything in their power to make the village attractive and profitable to all who come here. As a trading centre Stirling is second to no village in the province of Ontario and is universally acknowledged to be superior to most villages. The market for all sorts of farm produce is one of the best in the country—in short, as far as the leading business men are able to control it, they have made this a thoroughly up-to-date village. Our chief drawback at present is the lack of light, and steps are already being taken by our council and business men to fill this long felt want. In one respect only are we behind the times, that is in telephone service. So far this matter has been left entirely to the mercy of the Bell Telephone Company; but we find that the Company is not showing any desire to further the general enterprise of the village. Those of our people who are subscribers of the Bell Company have made up their minds that they will no longer quietly submit to have the enterprise and progress of the village impeded by a monopolist company. They wish to have the surrounding country furnished with at least as good facilities in this respect as any district in the province. Unless the present telephone company is prepared to give us as good a service as circumstances warrant, an effort will be made at once either to organize a local company or to obtain the services of another company. Our people are determined to give every inhabitant of this district who wishes to deal in Stirling the very best available means of communication with us. We would respectfully ask the farming community all around us to give us their co-operation and to refuse entering into any contracts with any telephone company until that company is prepared to give us the service we are entitled to and determined to have. A public meeting will be held in the Town Hall on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock, to consider this subject and all who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

#### The Telephone Situation

A meeting of business and professional men was held in the Council chamber on Monday evening, Feb. 18th, to discuss the telephone situation. Mr. Mather occupied the chair and explained fully our position, which called forth a good deal of discussion, after which the following resolutions were passed:

Moved by Dr. G. W. Faulkner, seconded by L. Moon and carried, That whereas the telephone service here has for a long time been very inadequate and uncertain, owing mainly to the fact that only old and comparatively worthless instruments and equipments have been furnished to subscribers, and that repeated complaints as to inadequacy of service and requests for betterment of equipments made from time to time by many subscribers have been entirely ignored by the proprietors, the Bell Telephone Co.; and whereas it would appear that certain officials of said Company have been and are canvassing and soliciting subscribers to rural circuits connected with nearby towns, on territory tributary to Stirling, thus endeavoring to detrimentally interfere with the natural trade interests of the village of Stirling.

Therefore be it resolved that W. R. Mather, L. Meiklejohn and Morden Bird be a committee to ascertain (1) if there be yet a possibility of securing just and proper treatment from the Bell Telephone Co. (2) As to what facilities can be offered by other companies or individuals for the conduct of an efficient telephone service. (3) To consider the advisability of forming a company to take up and undertake a local and rural service of the necessary quality and extent. And further, that every subscriber to the Company now present (being every subscriber in the village of Stirling) pledge himself that unless a speedy and satisfactory adjustment of above complaints is made by the Company to at once notify them to discontinue the service at the expiration of the contract periods.

Moved by Dr. G. W. Faulkner, seconded by C. F. Walt, that a public meeting be held in the Town Hall on Monday evening next, Feb. 25th, at 8 o'clock, to discuss problems of electric lighting, telephones, and other public utilities, and that representatives of the Bell Telephone Co. and other telephone promoters be invited to attend. Chair to be occupied by the Reeve. Carried.

The directors of the Bancroft Agricultural Society have decided to spend considerable money this year in improving the grounds.

Mr. Patrick Murphy, of Tweed, has been appointed by the Dominion Government as Immigration Agent for the district and vicinity. This is a new department of the interior and should prove a great source of help to farmers and others desiring farm help or domestic.

#### For Rheumatic Sufferers

The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, lame back, lumbago and deep seated and muscular pains. For sale by Morton & Haight.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the News-Argus.

DEAR SIR.—If you will permit me I would like to present to your readers a short account of what has been done towards starting an independent telephone company in this place. We have applied for Dominion incorporation under the name of the Royal Telephone Company, the capital to be \$10,000, of which \$10,000 is to be 5% preferred stock, the balance common stock, each share to have a par value of \$5.

As soon as we have secured sufficient number of subscribers for the telephones these shares will be offered to the public in such quantities as are required to furnish the capital to build the lines.

We do not expect to have any trouble in getting enough persons on the lines to ensure a successful start for the company, as over forty have already expressed a desire to have a telephone installed.

We intend to hold a meeting in the Town Hall on Monday evening, Feb. 25th, at 8 o'clock, and would be pleased to have all attend who are interested in securing a first class telephone service at reasonable rates.

The aims of the company will be explained and the value of the telephone business as a safe field for the investment of money and energy will be clearly shown, so that all who desire to become shareholders will know what kind of an investment they are getting.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this space in your paper, I remain,

Yours truly,  
SHERWOOD SCOTT.

#### Maple Sugar and Syrup.

For the purpose of distributing a bulletin on the manufacture of pure maple syrup and sugar, the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa has undertaken to collect a list of Maple Sugar Makers from each county in the Dominion. If by chance any names of sugar makers, or any interested in the manufacture, have been omitted from the list, or the copy already mailed has gone astray, the Department will be glad to send to all who apply, or to anyone who may wish to send in a list of names with P. O. addresses, a copy of the Maple Sugar bulletin just issued.

This bulletin not only deals with the manufacture of "Pure Maple Syrup and Sugar," but also explains the Sections of the Adulteration Act having reference to Maple Syrup and Sugar, and like ingredients, and gives a "Form of Warranty" which has to be signed by the sugar maker himself and handed on to the wholesaler, retailer and consumer, thus giving the purchaser assurance that the goods sold as "Pure Maple Syrup" or "Pure Maple Sugar" are what they are represented to be.

#### Learning Self-Reliance.

We often hear fathers and mothers planning what they are going to do for their children. They do love them so that they want to make life very easy for them, to save them from all anxiety and sorrow, to shield them from disappointment, to guard them from pain. And yet how often they keep them from developing the self-reliance which would be one of their best possessions, mainly by the very arms of sheltering love they throw about the young lives.

To be happy and useful boys and girls must be able to stand alone, to carry in their hearts the power to see the beauty of really beautiful things, to value true worth in their fellow-creatures, to set self aside, always. And these are not gift virtues. They come through burden-bearing. They are the possession of those who have learned to cry:

"Not ease the load,

But 'make the shoulders strong.'"

From the foolish parental selfishness of many homes there are sent out every day into the world spoiled children, children who have never been controlled, who have never been taught to look into their hearts for the stuff to make happiness of. One man or woman who has absorbed from contact with the right sort of people, or from reading the right sort of books, courage, the spirit of obedience, sincerity, or faith, which spells out everyday cheerfulness and a wise selfishness, will be more credit to a community, more use to the world, than a score of the spineless creatures who come, petted and fretful, expecting to buy happiness with the money their fathers left them.

#### Would Repeal "Three-Fifths" Clause.

Hon. Geo. P. Graham, the Liberal leader, has given notice of a bill to amend the Liquor License Act. The object of this bill is to repeal the three-fifths local option clause.

Mr. Graham takes advanced ground relative to municipal rights. To the News this morning he said the position he proposed taking was the restoration to the municipalities of the rights and ways held by them to say by majority whether they desire the bars or not.

Mr. Graham will also advocate an amendment to the same Act with a view to placing the license commissioners and inspectors in a somewhat similar position to members of school boards, making it illegal for them to hold contracts, verbal or written, with any person engaged in the liquor trade with whom they may have any official business.—Toronto News.

Mr. George P. Graham has introduced a bill in the Legislature for the repeal of the three-fifths clause of the local option law.

Piles get quick relief from Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment. Remember its made of natural plant and works with certainty and satisfaction. Itching, painful, protruding piles disappear like magic by its use. Try it and see. Sold by Morton & Haight.

#### The Bible Leads all Other Books

What is the best selling book of the year? The Bible. What has been the best selling book every year since the invention of printing? The Bible. If a novel sells up to a hundred thousand copies in its year, it makes a fortune for its author, and its popularity is considered marvellous, but compared with the sale of Bibles the novel makes a sorry showing. Last year the British and Foreign Bible Society sold 6,000,000 Bibles, and the American Bible Society nearly 2,500,000. These figures are simply amazing when one reflects upon the age of the book, and that the ordinary book-buying public must have been supplied with Bibles since childhood. Nevertheless, people continue to buy them, because the Bible is the one book that becomes literally worn out, and is also the one book that, figuratively speaking, never wears out.

It makes no difference what is the smart cut of the day, the Bible is sold, and has been sold in increasing numbers ever since it was first printed. The sales are increasing at the rate of from 5 per cent. to 10 per cent. a year, and as William E. Curtis says in the Chicago Record-Herald, it does not look as though the present generation was rejecting the faith of its fathers. Almost every civilized country is printing Bibles, and there is no country in the world where the Good Book is not circulated. Judged by the standard of Bible printing, no country can compare with Great Britain. That nation prints more than the rest of the world combined, and together with the United States prints and circulates 93 per cent. of the world's Bibles. It is a distinction to be proud of, indeed. If only some scheme could be devised to make the owners read them, the millennium would soon be here.

It is estimated that up to 1906 there had been 400,000,000 Bibles distributed throughout the world, of which the British Bible Society and the private presses in Great Britain had printed 250,000,000, and the United States nearly 80,000,000. Leaving aside its religious teaching, which gives the book its great value, there can be no doubt that as stories pure and simple, portions of the Bible are unequalled in their appeal to humanity. Where is there in literature the world over a story to equal the parable of "The Prodigal Son," as told in the English Bible? As a guide through life or as literature the Bible must always deserve its title of "The Book."

#### Lady Henry Somerset's Successor.

An account of the life and surroundings of the Countess of Carlisle, who was recently elected to the Presidency of the World's Christian Temperance Union, appears in the THE NEW IDEA WOMAN'S MAGAZINE for March. It will be remembered that this was the office held by Frances Willard for some years before that distinguished woman's death, and that she was succeeded by her close friend and disciple, Lady Henry Somerset. It is also known that the new President brings to the post a considerable amount of family, social, and philanthropic prestige, as both the Earl of Carlisle and his son, the Hon. Geoffrey Howard, who is a member of the British House of Commons, are well-known supporters of the temperance cause. Lady Carlisle is also known for her democratic tendencies and advocacy of the progress of women generally.

The following extract gives some suggestion of her character and point of view:

"It is said of the Countess of Carlisle that she would rather be known as 'Mammy' than 'Lady.' She believes thoroughly in woman's advancement that she has engaged women to fill many posts usually occupied by men. Women are on duty as footmen, butlers, gardeners, and even as hostlers. She predicts the time when women will be on an equality with men in the conduct of the affairs of the nation, as well as of the affairs of the household, and in the industrial, business and professional work of the world. The day when peace will reign through the mutual co-operation of all countries is, in her view, certain to dawn; and she looks upon the world not as a segregated group of individual lands, but as a united family of nations. With the Countess of Aberdeen and Lady Henry Somerset, the Countess of Carlisle ranks as one of the most businesslike women, the most active in politics and the most eloquent in platform speaking of Great Britain."

A hundred miners have been killed by an explosion caused by a defective lamp in a Mexican coal pit.

A man who is willing to work, is honest and respectable will find all the remunerative employment he wants in this free country.

The "laziest man on earth" is now reported by the Board of Guardians of Lagan, Ireland. They say he went to bed in 1877 and, supported all the time by an old mother, has remained there ever since, until his mother was taken ill. When his mother recovered he was forced to walk home from the infirmary because the officers refused to provide an ambulance. Now he is comfortably back in bed again with his mother waiting upon him as usual.

Don't give to beggars at the door, is the admonition of Mr. Lane, of the Charity Organization Society, to the citizens of Montreal. For doing so you are only called "easy" by the constantly growing army of shiftless "wot's wot." "What," asks Mr. Lane, "can be more pitiful than parents teaching their children to beg that they themselves may live a life of idleness, often of drunkenness, and not seldom of debauchery?" In all its investigation of door-to-door beggars last year the Charity Organization reports not one case of genuine need.

To stop a cold with "Preventics" is safer than to let it run and cure it afterwards. Taken at the "sneeze stage" Preventics will head off all colds and gripes, and perhaps save you from pneumonia or bronchitis. Preventics are little toothsome candy cold cure tablets, selling in 1-cent and 2-cent boxes. If you are chilly, if you begin to sneeze, try Preventics. They will surely check the cold, and please you. Sold by Morton & Haight.

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#### Public School Report.

DEPT. IV.

SR. IV. ARITH. 100.—E Ward 93, E Reid 90, D Montgomery 85, R Thompson 80, J Hough 80, F Zwick 80, M Whitty 80, R Reynolds 80, M Warren 80, V Utman 70, M Haggerty 60, M Cummings.

JR. IV. GRAM. 100.—D Roy 85, E McCutcheon 83, E Girwood 72, A Labey 70, M Moore 62, D Cooney 57, R Cooney 56, F McCutcheon 54, H Chambers 54, H Martin 53, R Bean 15, A Bird 15.

SR. III. SPELLING 70.—H Payne 62, B Hannan 56, G Shea 55, E Tice 54, C Cummings 50, C Cummings 29, H Graine 22, L Moloney 20, D Roy 18.

An effort is being made to organize a band in Bancroft.

The North American Cobalt Company will build the new smelter at Thorold.

The Government of Greece has decided to celebrate the 2400th anniversary of the battle of Marathon in 1910.

Mr. W. R. Aylesworth has been appointed by the Dominion Government to inquire into the claims for damages made against the Government for drowned lands along the line of the Trent Canal, and has joined the staff of the superintendent's office. Mr. Aylesworth will make his headquarters at Peterborough, but his duties will take him over the entire route of the canal.

The action taken by the Methodist Church at the last General Conference held in Montreal last September with respect to the work of immigration is beginning to bear fruit. The first installment of immigrants from the old land directed out through the immediate direction of the church have arrived in Toronto, where they have been comfortably located under the direction of Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick of the Fred Victor Mission. The plan adopted so far has been to place assistant chaplains in all the large cities, especial attention being given to Halifax, Quebec and Montreal to assist incoming immigrants on landing, and by some financial assistance, if necessary, to place them in a fair way to secure employment.

## Is It Your Own Hair?

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WM. RODGERS.

**Obituary**  
MRS. JOHN D. MCGEE.

After a long illness, Annie, the wife  
of Mr. John D. McGee, passed away  
early on Friday morning. Every effort  
was made during the past months to  
restore her to health, but any relief  
obtained was only temporary, and she  
gradually wasted away. Her own  
spirit was bright and hopeful to the end,  
her devotion to her three little daugh-  
ters—Myrtle, Rosanna and Edna—doubt-  
less prolonging her life beyond what it  
might have been. Much sympathy is  
felt for the young children, the husband  
and the father, Mr. Wm. Winter, the  
latter having followed four daughters  
to the grave, all of whom succumbed to  
the same disease. The late Mrs. Mc-  
Gee when in health was an active mem-  
ber of St. Andrew's Presbyterian  
church, and a funeral service was con-  
ducted by the pastor at the regular  
morning service on Sunday last. A  
very large congregation was present,  
and on all sides was manifested the  
deepest sympathy with the bereaved  
ones.

**MRS. IRA RUPERT.**  
Catherine Sophia Johnson, wife of the  
late Ira Rupert, born in the township  
of Rawdon nearly seventy-two years  
ago, passed quietly away after four  
weeks of severe illness, on Friday, Jan-  
uary 19th, 1907. She was married early  
in life to her beloved husband, who de-  
parted this life seven years prior to her  
death.

The funeral, which was largely at-  
tended, took place on Sunday afternoon  
January 21st, from the residence of her  
daughter, Mrs. Miles Mason, Spring  
Brook, where she had resided for nearly  
four years. The Rev. A. L. Brown,  
pastor of Marmora circuit, conducted  
service in the Spring Brook Methodist  
church. His text was chosen from  
Revelations 21:4, "And God shall  
wipe away all tears from their eyes;  
and there shall be no more death,  
neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall  
there be any more pain, for the former  
things are passed away."

Her last illness, though very painful,  
was endured, as illness always was with  
her, with remarkable patience. She  
had a vivid realization of her Master's  
presence, and said repeatedly "I'm go-  
ing home to be with Jesus and my com-  
panion," and when she knew no one  
else and was asked if she knew her  
Saviour, she would answer, "Oh yes,  
bless His name, I know Him."

Five sons and five daughters survive  
her, all of whom are married but the  
youngest son, Frank, of Restoule, Par-  
ry Sound.

She sleeps in the valley so sweet,  
Not a sound disturbs her repose,  
In the stillness of that calm retreat  
She rests secure from life's woes.

**PERSONALS.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Whitty were visiting  
friends and relatives in Hastings and  
Keene during the past week.

Mr. J. W. Jones, of Philadelphia, N.Y.,  
was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.  
H. Jones, during the past week.

We are pleased to see Mr. T. G. Clute  
out again after being confined to the house  
for some time by illness.

Mrs. Alex. Eberenz, Fort Thomas, Ky.,  
and family, are visiting their friends in  
this locality before they start to Panama,  
where Mr. Eberenz has secured a position  
with the U. S. government.

Miss Maggie Wiggins, of Wellington,  
who has been spending the past six weeks  
visiting friends and relatives near Stirling,  
returned to her home on Saturday, accom-  
panied by her cousin, Will Robinson.

If you are constipated, dull or bilious, or  
have a sallow lifeless complexion, try Lax-  
ettes just once to see what they will do for  
you. Laxettes are little loathsome candy  
tablets—nice to eat, nice in effect. No  
griping, no pain. Just a gentle laxative  
effect that is pleasant and desirable. Handy  
for the vest pocket or purse. Laxettes in-  
cubate every desire. Laxettes come to you in  
beautiful illustrated metal boxes at 5  
cents and 25 cents. Sold by Morton &  
Haigh.

ADVERTISING NOTICES.

In the local column will be charged as follows:  
To Regular Advertisers.—Three lines (one line  
under, 35 cents each insertion) over three lines,  
10c. per line. Matter set in larger than the  
ordinary type, 10c. per line. To transient  
advertisers.—10c. per line each  
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE**  
Trains call at Stirling station as follows:  
Going west. Passenger, 10:17 a.m.  
Mail & Ex., 6:27 a.m. Mail & Ex., 3:43 p.m.  
Passenger, 6:42 p.m.

**The Stirling News-Argus.**  
THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 1907.

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Sovereign Bank has opened an  
agency at Shannonville.

A hockey match between Belleville  
Juniors and Stirling Juniors will take  
place on the rink here tomorrow even-  
ing. Puck faced at 7:30.

The sudden and extreme changes in  
the weather this winter are very trying  
to health, and much sickness is the re-  
sult. We have had all kinds of weather  
inside of twenty-four hours.

Messrs. Lanktree & French will have  
their fourth annual delivery of Massey-  
Harris machinery on Thursday next,  
Feb. 28th. It is expected that it will  
be larger than any previous delivery.  
A procession will be formed at 2 o'clock  
p.m.

The item in the News-Argus a couple  
of weeks ago regarding rural telephones  
has caused letters of inquiry from dif-  
ferent places, showing interest in the  
question, some coming from as far as  
Chicago. Who says local papers are  
not read?

The Dominion Government has ap-  
pointed Mr. T. C. Clute employment  
agent for this vicinity, and any person  
wishing to secure help will find it to  
their advantage to consult him.

The C. P. R. have issued a pamphlet  
entitled "Western Canada," which it  
would pay anyone who is thinking of  
going west, to write for as it will be  
mailed free on request. The booklet is  
full of illustrations, maps, and informa-  
tion.

An entertainment will be given in the  
Orange Hall, Halloway, on Friday eve-  
ning, at which a large number of stereo-  
opticon views will be given, also illus-  
trated songs and dissolving and comic  
views, and a lecture by Rev. W. H.  
Stevens.

We note by the latest published state-  
ment that of the \$4,000,000 capital of  
the Sovereign Bank of Canada, all but  
\$7,000 is paid up. The reserve fund is  
\$1,255,000, and the total assets over \$25-  
000,000. This shows the strong position  
of the bank.

The regular Sunday evening service  
at St. Andrew's Church is to be pre-  
ceded by a fifteen minute song service  
with the Torrey-Alexander hymns. These  
hymns have taken possession of the  
singing public since the famous mission  
held in Toronto a year ago.

The Auxiliary of the W. M. S. of the  
Methodist church will hold an open  
meeting in the S. S. room of the church  
on Friday evening, March 1st. A good  
programme is being prepared, after  
which refreshments will be served. A  
silver collection will be taken at the  
door. Everybody welcome.

A public meeting has been called for  
Monday evening next, in the Town  
Hall, to discuss the problem of electric  
lighting, local and rural telephone ser-  
vice, and other public utilities. All are  
invited to attend. Chair to be taken at  
8 o'clock. All persons from the sur-  
rounding country interested in rural  
telephones would do well to attend.

The Belleville hockey team went to  
Lindsay on Friday evening last to play  
the return match with the Lindsay  
"Midgits." There was some very  
rough play, and one of the Belleville  
team was struck on the head and ren-  
dered unconscious for a long time,  
while several others were injured badly.  
The game was not finished, the score  
standing when hostilities ceased 9 to 6  
in favor of Lindsay.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.  
have issued a neat booklet "Home Life  
of Women in Western Canada," a story  
of what women are accomplishing in  
our Canadian West. It is finely illus-  
trated and pictures daily life as it is  
lived by the farm wives of the great  
prairie country of the west. It is well  
worthy of perusal, and any of our read-  
ers desiring a copy can have the same  
mailed to them by sending a two-cent  
stamp to the C. P. R. Co.'s advertising  
department, Montreal.

**Hockey**  
The return match between the Sham-  
rocks of Trenton and the local seven-  
was played at the rink here on Friday  
evening, and resulted in a victory for  
the home team by a score of 6 to 2.

Owing to the open rink and stormy  
night the game was played in quarters,  
and the snowy ice being very slow  
neither team was able to do as effective  
work as they were capable of. The  
Shamrocks are a gentlemanly lot of  
boys and deserve to be encouraged. It  
is hoped the two teams may meet again  
in the near future.

**Skin Disease of Twenty Years.**  
Standing Cured  
I want you to know how much Cham-  
berlain's Salve has done for me. It has  
cured by face of a skin disease of almost  
twenty years' standing. I have been treat-  
ed by several as smart physicians as we  
have in this country and they did me no  
good, but two boxes of this salve has cured  
me. Mrs. FANNIE GRIFFIN, Troy, Ala.  
Chamberlain's Salve is for sale by Morton  
& Haigh.

Wedding Bells

A very quiet and pretty wedding took  
place last Saturday at 8 a. m. at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. David Tucker,  
Sine, when their youngest daughter,  
Florence Beatrice, was united in mar-  
riage to Mr. John Green, of the same  
place. The ceremony was performed  
by the Rev. Mr. Ballfour in the presence  
of a few intimate friends. The bride,  
leaning on her father's arm, entered the  
drawing room, which was tastefully  
decorated, while Mendelssohn's Wed-  
ding March was being played by  
Miss Blanche Williams. The bride  
was very becomingly attired in her go-  
ing away gown of fawn broadcloth.  
The couple were unattended.

After the ceremony a most sumptuous  
breakfast was served.

The bride was the recipient of a num-  
ber of beautiful gifts, the groom's being  
a beautiful gold necklace set with  
pearls and to Miss Williams a hand-  
some brooch set with an amethyst.

Immediately after breakfast the new-  
ly married couple left for Montreal  
where they intended to remain until  
Monday and proceed thence to New  
York where they will remain for a few  
weeks the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Green.  
Before returning they will also visit  
Buffalo, Albany and other leading cities  
of the state.

**Skating Carnival**  
The skating carnival on Monday  
evening last was well attended, and it  
was the best in every respect that has  
been held on Stirling rink for some  
time. There were a number of visitors  
from Frankford, one of them carrying  
off the prize for the best lady's costume.  
Following is the list of prize-winners:

Best lady skater in costume, Miss  
Jennie Descent, a brooch by H. Hadley.  
Best costume, lady, Miss Gladys  
Clarke, fancy lamp by W. U. Graine.

Best lady skater in costume under 16,  
Miss Lulu Lahey, fancy work basket  
by Morton & Haigh.

Best gentleman skater in costume,  
Harry Graine, bamboo fishing rod by  
W. U. Graine.

Best costume, gentleman, Arthur  
Moore, biscuit jar by W. U. Graine.

Best costume, boy under 16, Earl  
Tico, hockey stick by W. U. Graine.

Best skating, lady and gentleman to-  
gether, Miss Jennie Descent and Mr. J.  
Buchanan, box of bon-bons by Moon &  
Green.

Judges, E. B. Morton, E. C. McIvor,  
and H. W. McDonald.

A Neglected Family.

In the township of Elzevir, within  
less than ten miles from Tweed, for  
several years the family of Richard  
Lindsay, Jr., has existed under the  
most deplorable conditions imaginable,  
says the Tweed News, and notwith-  
standing that these conditions were  
well known to the local authorities no  
action was taken until this week, when  
the Children's Aid Society of Tweed,  
acting under the authority of Mr. J. J.  
Kelso, Superintendent of Neglected and  
Dependent Children, took seven of the  
children, ranging from two to thirteen  
years of age, and sent them to the  
Shelter at Toronto. They were found  
in a state of extreme wretchedness and  
neglect, living in a shack unfit for hu-  
man habitation. Their only bed was a  
hole in the ground under the floor.

Their clothing was the scantiest, and  
according to the reports of those who  
visited the place, they did not have even  
boots to put upon their feet, going  
about barefooted on the coldest days of  
this severe winter. The unfortunate  
children were brought before Reeve  
Bowley and Magistrate Wray on Wed-  
nesday. They were satisfied that the  
children came under the requirements  
of the Act and committed them to the  
care of Mr. Kelso. They will be cared  
for in the Shelter in Toronto until suit-  
able homes can be secured for them.

The Belleville Ontario says: "The  
deep hole near Melrose, where they  
were boring for oil some years ago, is  
again to be the scene of active opera-  
tions. The property has passed into  
the hands of Capt. Miller of Toronto,  
who will have the bore deepened by  
2,000 feet more if necessary, so the On-  
tario has been informed by Mr. I. B.  
Eaton, president of the company who  
operated the works. Capt. Miller  
has let a contract for the necessary  
work to a driller, who will commence  
operations on the 1st of May next."

**Births.**  
SCOTT.—In Rawdon, on Feb. 2nd, to Mr. and  
Mrs. John T. Scott, a daughter.

Auction Sales

MONDAY, FEB. 25.—At Sidney Town  
Hall a lot of stock, implements, black-  
smith's tools and household furniture be-  
longing to Mr. Robert Cosbey. Sale at 1  
o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, FEB. 26.—On lot 6, con. 5,  
Huntingdon, the farm stock and imple-  
ments belonging to Mr. Nelson Potter. Sale at  
1 o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27.—On west half of  
lot 2, con. 8, Huntingdon, the farm stock  
and implements belonging to Mr. Joseph  
Wool. Sale at 1 o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rod-  
gers, auctioneer.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST.—On the premises  
of Mr. D. L. Corrigan, on lot 1, con. 3, Hun-  
tingdon, the entire lot of farm stock and  
implements. Sale to be held on Friday,  
March 1st, at 1 o'clock sharp. Wm. Rod-  
gers, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH.—On lot 10,  
con. 9, Rawdon, the farm stock, imple-  
ments and household furniture belonging  
to Mr. S. N. Sexsmith. Sale to commence  
at 10:30 a.m. Free lunch at noon. Wm.  
Rodgers, auctioneer.

Married.

GREEN—TUCKER.—At the residence of the  
bride's parents, on Feb. 19th, by Rev. D. Bal-  
four, Florence Beatrice Tucker, daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. David Tucker, to Mr. John G.  
Green, all of the township of Rawdon.

Deaths.

MCGEE.—In Stirling, on Feb. 19th, Annie  
McGee, wife of John D. McGee, aged 37 years.

Card of Thanks

The subscriber desires through the News-  
Argus to thank his friends and neighbors  
for their kindness and attention during the  
illness of his deceased wife.

JOHN D. MCGEE.

Notice

All taxes for the township of Rawdon  
not paid on or before the FIRST DAY OF  
MARCH next will be placed in the bailiff's  
hands for collection.

JAMES MCCOMB, Collector.  
Rawdon, Feb. 18, 1907.

NOTICE

We beg to announce to the business  
men, farmers and all others who use the  
telephone in Stirling and the surrounding  
country that we have organized a company  
under the name of the

**Royal Telephone Company**  
(Incorporation applied for)  
with the object of placing the telephone  
within reach of all at reasonable rates.

We have decided to call a public meeting  
in the Town Hall, Stirling, on

**Monday Evening, Feb. 25th**  
for the purpose of placing before the public  
the objects and aims of the Company.  
The meeting is free and we cordially invite  
all those interested in securing first-class  
telephone service to attend. We intend  
to give the public as good a service as  
can possibly be obtained. Our charges will  
be reasonable and we solicit the support and  
patronage of the public.

S. G. SCOTT.

Auction Sale

—OF—  
FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

Mr. Wm. Farrell has instructed the under-  
signed Auctioneer to sell by  
Public Auction on

**Lot 4, Con. 5, Township of Madoc**  
2 miles north-west of Madoc

—ON—  
**Tuesday, February 26th, 1907**

The following articles:

1 span of Mares, four and five years old,  
both with foal, 1 span of 3-year-old Colts,  
14 Milch Cows, first-class, 3-year-old Heif-  
ers, 1 Bull, 2 years old, 3 Spring Calves, 1  
Sow with pig, 9 Pigs, four months old, 1  
Wagon, new, 1 long Sleigh, 1 Massey Har-  
ris Binder, 1 Massey-Harris Mower, nearly  
new, 1 Massey-Harris Horse Rake, nearly  
new, 1 Massey-Harris Seed Drill, 1 Massey-  
Harris Finishing Harrow, 1 Spring-tough  
Harrow, 1 Gang Plough, 1 Single Plough,  
1 Potash Kettle, 2 Buggies, 1 Cutter, 1 Pole  
for buggy, 1 set Heavy Harness, 1 set De-  
light Harness, 1 Stoneboat, 3 Milk Cans, 1  
Fanning Mill, 10 tons Hay, Straw, 150 bush-  
els Barley, 150 bushels Oats. Other ar-  
ticles too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, sharp.

TERMS:  
All sums of \$10 and under, cash, over  
that amount nine months' credit upon  
furnishing approved endorsed notes, with  
interest at 6 per cent.

WM. FARRELL, P. J. SCRIMSHAW,  
Owner. Auctioneer.

P.S.—As Mr. Farrell is quitting farming  
everything must be sold without reserve.

Evergreen Cheese Company

A meeting of the Stockholders will be  
held at the factory on Friday, Feb. 22nd,  
1907, at 1:30 o'clock, p.m., for the consid-  
eration of repairs on factory.

WM. RODGERS, President.

Call on

**W. J. GRAHAM**  
for High Grade

PIANOS and ORGANS  
Drop head and Cabinet  
Sewing Machines

De Laval Cream Separators  
Carriages Lumber Wagons  
Cultivating & Seeding Machinery  
Deering Harvesting Machinery  
Manure Spreaders

Celebrated Percival and  
Wilkinson Plows  
Feed and Litter Carriers  
Hay Cars and Slings

Steel Land Rollers  
Incubators and Brooders  
International Gasoline Engines  
Farm Bells

Second-hand GASOLINE ENGINE, 12 h.p.  
SEED DRILL  
GRAIN BINDER

Also HORSES for sale—roadsters and  
workhorses.

Also eight-room Brick House, at pre-  
sent occupied by the subscriber, on Church  
street.

W. J. GRAHAM.  
Opposite Mather's Store, Stirling.

MEAT SHOP

Under new management. The business  
formerly carried on by A. H. SEELEY, is  
now changed to

**SEELEY & HATTON**  
We are prepared to supply the public  
with first-class Meats of all kinds at low-  
est cash prices.

Stirling's New Store.

The one price to all—all the time

New Prints

Ginghams

and Muslins

New Carpets

Try us for good

CHOICE GROCERIES

Always fresh. Here are some specials for this week:

Tiger brand Salmon, deep pink, regular 15 cts.,  
Our price .. 2 cans for 25 cts.

Quaker brand canned Corn, 3 tins for .. 25 cts.

Quaker brand canned Peas, 3 tins for .. 25 cts.

Have you tried our 25-cent TEA—green or black. If  
not, it will pay you to do so at once.

Fresh Prunes, extra large size, 3 lbs. for .. 25 cts.

G. W. ANDERSON.

Produce taken in exchange for goods or for cash. PHONE No. 29.

WE ARE FISHING

For More Trade

And the bait we use is the BEST SHOE VALUE IN  
TOWN, at whatever price you want to pay.

All overdue Accounts must be settled at once.

J. W. BROWN,

Butter and Eggs taken in exchange. RELIABLE BOOT & SHOE MERCHANT

Invest! Invest! Invest!

Where? In Winnipeg and West, where for-  
tunes are made in a year.

You would be laughed at in Winnipeg if you were to  
admit that your savings were drawing only 3%. We will  
guarantee that we can make you at least 20% on your  
money by allowing us to invest it in Winnipeg or other  
western Real Estate, and we can make your money earn  
many times that amount.

Our lists are made up of Business Properties, Ware-  
house Sites, Vacant Lots, in every locality, throughout  
the city, and Farm Lands, improved and unimproved  
throughout the West. Write us for information.

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608 MCINTYRE BLOCK, WINNIPEG, MAN.

Pianos and Organs

We now have in stock a full line of  
Heintzman Newcombe and  
New Scale Williams Pianos

which we are prepared to sell on any  
terms. Every instrument fully guar-  
anteed.

Also a full line of  
Gramophones and Records

A full line of  
Harness, Robes and Horse Blankets  
on hand.

We are also agents for the  
Raymond Sewing Machines and  
Massey-Harris Farm Implements

LANKTREE & FRENCH.

441 St. Stirling,  
P.S.—A new Empire Cream Separat-  
or, 450 pounds capacity, for \$30.00.



## Toronto Bartender Kills Sweetheart and Then Suicides.

Mrs. Charlton leaves a family of three boys, the eldest being 17-years of age. When she was searched at the hospital \$300 in bills was found on her, and in her room at her home a trunk book was found with \$2,000 to her credit.

responsibility for the crushing defeat at Mukden.

REASONS FOR FAILURE.

Grouhatkin's reasons for the failure and disorganization.



OR, A SAD LIFE STORY

CHAPTER XXI.

He has entirely hidden his face in his hands, so that she is without that index by which she is to the effect produced by his guide her. He continues completely silent. Whether he is in a state of rapture, or of grief, she does not know. He is awaking, she still, deep in her heart, cherishes some pale hope of a denial, on explaining away of the reported utterances, who shall say? It is with a half-dread that she goes on:

"But you could not do so! you are just as not to know that you are not so best. Poor fellow! it must have been uphill work for you!"—with a first touch of indignation, "laboring to love me, for eight years!"—and then, "under that you failed; and I was so thick-skinned, I did not see it—the hide of a hippopotamus!"—and then, "I could not be a juster companion; and now all I can do is to beg your pardon for having spoilt eight of

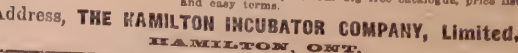
"We have been thinking that Jim was going to jilt you, Amelia!" Cecilia has said with graceful badinage; nor, strange to say, has she been at all offended when he has retorted, with equal grace and yet superior ill-nature, that as she was

in the light they throw upon his own  
lives, stagger Jim, to the extent of  
king him accept the sneer in total  
nce. Is not it a richly deserved one?  
the sweet-natured Byng is already

"I never saw him at all tender to one whose gloves were not beyond suspicion."

Mr. Byng laughs constrainedly.

"Well, if she has not holes in her



ALL DRUGGISTS; 50c. AND \$1.00;

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# GEO. E. REYNOLD'S FEBRUARY SALE

This month we mean to clear the balance of our Winter Stock, as well as many other odd lines, which must be cleared out to make room for our

## BIG SPRING STOCK

We are giving Big Discounts for Cash

Come now and secure Bargains

Boots made to order.

All overdue Accounts must be settled at once.

**GEO. E. REYNOLDS,**  
SHOE KING.

P. S.—Butter and Eggs taken in exchange.

## Heart Strength

Heart Strength, or Heart Weakness, means Nerve Strength, or Nerve Weakness—nothing more. Positively, not one weak heart in a hundred is, in itself, actually diseased. It is almost always a hidden tiny little nerve that really is all at fault. This obscure nerve—the Cardiac, or Heart Nerve—simply needs, and must have, more power, more stability, more controlling, more governing strength. Without that the Heart must continue to fail, and the stomach and kidneys also have these same controlling nerves.

This clearly explains why, as a medicine, Dr. Shoop's Restorative has in the past done so much for weak and ailing hearts. Dr. Shoop first sought the cause of all this painful, palpitating, suffocating heart distress. Dr. Shoop's Restorative—this popular prescription—is aimed directly to these weak and wasting nerve centers. It builds; it strengthens; it offers real, genuine heart help. If you would have strong hearts, strong digestion, strength, these nerves—re-establish them as needed, with

## Dr. Shoop's Restorative

MORTON & HAIGHT.

Have Your Overcoat Made-to-Order



From now till Spring your Overcoat will be the part of your dress by which the world will estimate what kind of a man you are. No man ever knows real comfort and satisfaction until he has an overcoat MADE-TO-MEASURE. Many who have their suits made-to-order have the idea that they can get what they want in a ready-made overcoat. But they are quite as objectionable as ready-made suits, and show at a glance the lack of style and fit.

We incorporate the very latest style ideas into our tailoring and buy only the best materials—which is a guarantee of satisfaction in itself.

Before you buy a new Overcoat give us a chance to talk things over.

**JOHN M. MCGEE,**  
Next door to H. Warren & Son's Hardware Store.

## TWO SEASONABLE MEDICINES

Compound Syrup of  
White Pine and Tar  
Cures Coughs, Cold, Bronchitis, Etc.

OUR PERFECT

## Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil

Is the best Tonic when the system is run down from any cause, being especially recommended for Throat and Lung trouble. It is pleasant to take and easily digested.

**MORTON & HAIGHT,**  
Druggists, Stationers, Etc.

## THE STRANGLING FIG.

A Curious Tropical Tree That Lives Upon Other Trees.

Visitors to Mexico and other tropical countries often have their attention called to "the strangling fig"—a tree that commences its growth as an epiphyte—that is, one form of plant life that grows perched on another—far up on the trunk or among the branches of another tree, usually on a palm-tree or some of the kinds of palms. The roots of the strangling tree extend downward around the host tree to the ground, gradually joining together, making a tubelike mass of roots sometimes as much as six feet or more in diameter.

When the attacked tree is a palm death to it is caused not so much by the binding around the trunk as by shading out its branches by the attacking tree.

When the attacked tree is an exogen—that is, one with wood and bark—the attacking roots bind so tightly as to cause a stoppage of the flow of the sap. As the sap of a tree is really its food (changed by the leaves so that it can be used) and the flow of the food is thus stopped, the attacked tree is really "starved" to death. So death to the attacked tree is caused either by smothering or by starvation or by both.

The peculiar manner in which the flattened roots extend down and around the tree give them the appearance of some thick, slow flowing material running down the tree.

## GRIM OLD CROMWELL.

The Protector Made Christmas a Gloomy and Serious Day.

"Christmas was illegal in Cromwell's time," said an antiquary. "Those grim old Puritans were so gloomy that they would not have any gaiety even on Christmas day."

"Cromwell said that holy and mistletoe were heathenish things. He said that they had no real Christian significance; they were a part of some pagan festival of the Druids. Accordingly he made a law that if you decorated your house with mistletoe at Christmas you got thirty days in jail."

"The terrible old fellow forbade Christmas celebrations—no dancing, no singing, no playing, no feasting on Christmas day; penalty, thirty days."

"You see, it was his idea that Christmas was a religious, a serious time, a time for churchgoing and prayer and reverence and for nothing else. The innocent family that in Cromwell's day sat down to turkey and plum pudding and wound up with Christmas games got a month all round."

"Only for a time, though. The people rebelled. Willing as the people had been to put on the gloom of those dreadful old Puritans, they insisted on having a little joy on Christmas day, and Cromwell after a year or two had to give in to them."

## "The Woman in White."

In a letter to Charles Dickens, Wilkie Collins intimated the fact that the great work upon which he had devoted so much time was finished, but that the finding of a suitable title had occasioned him much trouble. Eventually, feeling somewhat run down in health, he left London for Broadstairs, a resort which was a favorite with both Dickens and Collins. While lying on the cliff in a meditative mood one bright morning his eyes suddenly riveted themselves on the white light-house which stood boldly out in the foreground under the dazzling rays of the midday sun. As he gazed Collins in a semiconscious manner addressed himself to a whisper to the light-house. "You are as stiff and as stateless as my white woman," said he. "White woman! White woman—the woman in white. Eureka! I have got it!" And so the book was given this curiously inspired title.

## The French Idea.

The Frenchman of the middle class sacrifices everything in order to obtain for his children some official position or other, a mean one, perhaps, but a sure one, leading after thirty years of penury to a pension verging on destitution. This is one aspect of the decay of the French race. It is easy to understand that two races are not evenly armed for the struggle for life if one be made up of aspirants to official position and the other of individuals possessing initiative, daring and energy. For this reason do Latin races decline, while Anglo-Saxon races grow and multiply.

## How and Arrow Fishing.

In the South seas and in various groups of islands in the Indian ocean the aborigines shoot fish with the bow and arrow. The art is extremely difficult, as in taking aim at an object under water the archer has to allow for refraction. If he were to aim directly at the fish as he sees it, he would, of course, miss. Long practice has, however, made the natives expert to a wonderful degree in this sport.

## It Was Tough.

The waiter girl knew a thing or two about table etiquette, so she sniffed scornfully as she said, "It's not our custom to serve a knife with pie." "No?" remarked the patron in surprise. "Then bring me an ax."

## He Writes For Money.

Lady Gushington—So your son is a real author! How distractingly interesting! And does he write for money? Practical Dad—Yes; I got his applications about once a week.

## Her Perch.

"Did he propose to her on his knee?" "No, but she accepted him on them."—Houston Post.

## THE SACRED LOTUS.

Sentiment of the Orient About the Fruit of Destiny.

Concerning the rich fruit of the lotus, which grew luxuriantly in the Nile, many charming legends have been told. It was believed that it was so delightful that those who ate of it would never leave the spot where it grew, but for it would abandon home and friends to spend their lives in a dream of serene delight. Homer, in the *Odyssey*, mentions the lotus eaters who lived on the northern coast of Africa and records their attempts to detain the followers of Ulysses by giving them the fruits of the lotus to eat, so that they should never wish to leave the spot where it grew.

The same poetical idea is known to the Arabs, who call it the "fruit of destiny," which is to be eaten in Paradise, and it is on this foundation that Tennyson built his charming poem of the "Lotus Eaters." This mythical lotus has been identified by several botanists with that indigenous to Tunisia, which is a thorny shrub, with berries the size of an olive.

Mungo Park found a species of lotus in Central Africa bearing berries of a delicious taste, which on being dried and pounded made wholesome and pleasant bread. The lotus fruit found in Tunisia has a stimulating, almost intoxicating, effect, and it is therefore probable that this plant furnished the foundation of the ancient legends.

## WHEN WAGES WERE LOW.

And a Turkey Dinner For Six Cost Only 17 Cents.

"Columbus," got a salary of \$320 a year—less than a dollar a day. His captains got \$180 a year apiece. His crew got \$2.25 a month. To equip the expedition that discovered America cost \$2,800. The total cost of discovering America was \$7,200.

"Lawyers nowadays, especially corporation lawyers, think nothing of earning a million a year. In the reign of Edward IV, a baronet entered in his diurnal, or diary:

"Paid to Roger Fylpott, learned in the law, for his counsel, 3 shillings, with fourpence for his dinner."

"Ministers often make today \$20,000 or \$30,000 a year, yet John Knox only got \$220 a year, or \$4 a week, and that was a dollar more a week than Scottish judges got."

"Small salaries, those," concluded the antiquary, "but we must remember that in that epoch there were no trusts to inflate prices, and a dollar went a long way. In fact, a Christmas dinner for a family of six would have cost in John Knox's time: For the turkey, 10 cents; cranberry sauce, 2 cents; potatoes, 1 cent; turnips, 1 cent; celery, 1 cent; plum pudding, 2 cents; total, 17 cents, or less than 3 cents a head."

## Friendship With Wild Life.

If a fairy had ever offered to grant me three wishes, "the full confidence of wild animals" would surely have been one of them and probably the first. If we seek opportunities to befriend wild creatures and take advantage of them, we shall often find, as I have done, that there is no lack of response on the part of the animals. I once walked up to a pine siskin, as he was feeding on the ground and picked him up in my hand. He did not seem a bit alarmed, and when a few minutes later I set him down he continued his search for food within a few inches of my feet. On another occasion a yellow throated vireo allowed me to lift her from her nest when I wished to count her eggs and nestled down comfortably on her treasures the moment I put her back. With a forefinger I once stroked the back of a red breasted nuthatch as he was busy feeding on a tree—Ernest Harold Baynes in *St. Nicholas*.

## An Answered Prayer.

"I sent my little girl," writes a correspondent, "to the butcher's with 50 cents to buy some steak. She came home 10 cents short in change and was sent back for the missing coin. Presently the butcher's boy called with the dime and explained that his employer had found out his mistake, although they had seen nothing of my little daughter. The time went on, and I felt anxious until I heard her singling merrily in the garden. 'Did you go back to the butcher's?' I asked. 'No, mother, it is such a long way, so I asked God to send for the dime. Has it not come yet?'"

## Contagious.

An Irish lad on the east side was obliged recently to seek treatment at a dispensary. On his return home from the first treatment he was met by this inquiry from his mother:

"What did the doctor man say was the matter with your eye?"

"He said there was some furrin substance in it."

"Shure!" exclaimed the old woman, with an I-told-you-so air, "now, maybe, ye'll keep away from that Eyetalian boys!"—Success Magazine.

## Her Impression.

"Now I have an impression in my head," said the teacher. "Can any of you tell me what an impression is?"

"Yes'm, I can," replied a little fellow at the foot of the class. "An impression is a dent in a soft spot."

## Natural Enough.

"They say that Bradley goes on like mad since he inherited his vast wealth."

"What does he do?"

"Oh, he acts like one possessed."—Lippincott's.

Generally the purchase of a book is mistaken for the acquisition of its contents.—Schopenhauer.

## THE BEAT OF THE PULSE.

It Varies Greatly in Different Persons and Conditions.

The pulse of women generally beats at a slightly faster rate than that of men. It may be said that when a person is at rest his pulse, that of any adult, may be from seventy-five to eighty times a minute. Great variation exists in different individuals in respect of the number of beats. After exercise the pulse quickens because of the stimulation of the heart, and the same result applies to the effects of taking food. A dose of alcohol will also stimulate the pulse somewhat, just as the use of tobacco, especially in excess, will tend to have an opposite effect—namely, that of lowering the rate of the pulse, because of the depression of the heart which results. In fevers and inflammatory diseases the pulse rate tends to be very much increased, and also in respect of its character. Instead of beating quietly the blood vessel in such cases exhibits a very full and bounding movement. On the other hand, where depression exists and the temperature of the body falls, the pulse may be unnaturally slow and its character weak. Physicians are accustomed to distinguish other characteristics in the pulse, such as become valuable hints in the discovery and determination of disease. The practical lesson we learn here is that where the pulse continues for any length of time to have its beats quickened to an unnatural degree and where especially a rise of the temperature or heat of the body accompanies these symptoms we ought to suspect some kind of feverish condition or other to be represented. The pulse alone forms a valuable enough guide to the state of the body, but its value is very much increased if to the information given us by the pulse we add that which the use of the thermometer supplies.

## NAMES OF DAYS.

The Latin and Saxon Terms From Which They Are Derived.

Our names for each day are derived from the Saxons, who probably borrowed the week from some eastern people, substituting names of their own divinities for those of the classical gods, as is easily seen when the names are tabulated:

Latin.	Saxon.	English.
Dies Solis.....	Sun's day.....	Sunday.
Dies Lunae.....	Moon's day.....	Monday.
Dies Martis.....	Tiw's day.....	Tuesday.
Dies Mercurii.....	Woden's day.....	Wednesday.
Dies Jovis.....	Thor's day.....	Thursday.
Dies Veneris.....	Frige's day.....	Friday.
Dies Saturni.....	Satere's day.....	Saturday.

Among the ancients the belief in the influence of the planets upon the life of men was so strong that many in selecting their daily ornaments would wear only the gem associated with the planet of the day. Thus on Sunday only yellow gems and gold should adorn the fingers. Pearls and white stones, excepting diamonds, belonged to the Moon day. Tuesday, day of Mars, claimed rubies and all stones of fiery luster. Thursday, Thor's day, demanded amethysts and deep colored stones of sanguine tint, while Friday, dominated by Venus, reigned over the emerald, color of jealousy, which is love's shadow. Saturday, dedicated to Saturn, oldest of the gods, had for its distinctive talisman the most splendid of all gems, the diamond.

## His Time For Drinking.

In the days of river drinking on the Kennebec river in Maine old Uncle Jim Gilbert was a well known character. He was hale and hearty and had an enormous appetite. The men used to come down the river with a drive of logs and get a meal at a tavern in Augusta. One morning, arriving late and with appetite sharpened, old Uncle Jim sat down with the first set of men and ate diligently during the time steadily. A third set came, and the tavern keeper, becoming alarmed, tried to hurry up the protracted meal by saying, "Better drink your coffee, uncle, and have another cup!"

"No," said the old man. "I never drink till I'm half through!"

## Return of the Prodigal.

"I do play in tough luck sometimes," declared the impecunious girl. "Last night, you remember how I rained. I happened to be in the neighborhood of some friends of mine whom I had not seen since the last hard rain. I concluded to call. Before they asked me in they grabbed the umbrella I carried, hurried across the room with it, placed it in a closet there and locked the door on it."

"Thank heaven!" they cried. "At last! Our long lost umbrella!"

## A Sifted Story.

The late John Stetson, famous in his day as a theatrical manager, was having a yacht built, and a friend, meeting him on the street, asked him what he was going to name the boat. "I haven't decided yet," replied John, "but it will be some name commencing with S, probably either Psyche or Clinch."

## His Part.

Magistrate (to witness)—I understand that you overheard the quarrel between the defendant and his wife? Witness—Yes, sir. Magistrate—Tell the court, if you can, what he seemed to be doing? Witness—He seemed to be doing the "stunin'."

## Optimistic View.

Tom (promptly)—Miss Pucklebach has promised to be my wife. Jack (convinced)—Oh, don't let that worry you. Women frequently break their promises.

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### Chatterton Chips

Mr. Thomas Leslie has purchased the  
Lithgow property, and is trimming  
it, drawing manure, and getting  
ready for "biz."  
The farmers have mostly got their ice  
in and their year's wood up and saved,  
and are now waiting for "gentle  
spring." Let 'er come.  
Skating parties are the rage here this  
winter, divided between the home rink  
and Oak Hill lake.  
There is a great deal of sickness here  
this winter, mostly in grippes.

### Halloway

Mr. J. C. Daffoe has rented his farm to  
Mr. Geo. Cadman.  
Miss Jean McMullen, of Anson, has  
been visiting relatives here for the past  
week.  
Mr. and Miss Davidson, of Cobourg,  
are visiting at the home of Mr. Charles  
Spencer.  
Mrs. Robt. McMullen is spending the  
week in Belleville.  
On Friday evening, March 1st, a concert  
will be given in the church here  
consisting of illustrated songs, stereop-  
tion views and moving pictures.  
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bass left on  
Thursday to visit relatives in Renfrew  
County.

### Spring Brook.

La grippe is the ruling element in this  
place.  
A surprise party met at the home of  
Mr. Geo. Forestall on Monday evening  
and presented them with a beautiful  
couch. They are moving to Campbell-  
ford on a farm recently purchased by  
Mr. Forestall.

A very pleasant gathering was held  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Welch,  
when about 40 young friends met to bid  
farewell to Miss Lottie, who is leaving  
on Monday next for Calgary, where she  
has secured a situation as stenographer.  
Before the close of the evening she was  
presented with a beautiful Roman gold  
clock and an address.

A very pretty wedding took place at  
noon on Wednesday at the home of Mr.  
and Mrs. Thos. Roper, when their  
youngest daughter, Florence, was  
united in marriage to Mr. Wm. Bate-  
man. The bride's gown was of white  
silk covered with net, and her travelling  
gown was of navy blue broadcloth.

Mr. P. Oliver, of Calgary, spent  
Tuesday at Mr. P. Welch's.

### Wellman's Corners

The remains of the late Mrs. Joseph  
Fletcher, a former much respected resi-  
dent of this place, were brought here  
from her home near Stirling and inter-  
red in our cemetery on Saturday last.  
The Rev. Mr. Balfour preached an elo-  
quent sermon on the occasion, his theme  
being the immortality of the soul and  
its relationship to God. He referred to  
the deceased lady's many years of  
Christian service, and her unwavering  
faith in God, and her dying testimony  
as to His faithfulness to His promises.

The social held at Mrs. Robt. Totton's  
by the W. M. S. was an enjoyable af-  
fair. The program was a good one, and  
although the night was bitterly cold  
the ladies added about \$5 to their funds.  
Their next social will be held at the  
residence of W. S. Dracup on Friday,  
March 15th.

The Woman's Institute held a meet-  
ing at the home of Miss Jessie Watson  
on the 21st, but unfortunately we were not  
present and have not been able since  
to get a report of the meeting, but  
there is no doubt that they had a good  
time, as they always have had at all  
previous meetings. They will meet at  
the residence of Mrs. W. Anderson on  
the 21st of March. Come and enjoy  
yourself.

Mr. W. Anderson has just added to  
his stock a nice lot of dry goods.  
Miss Farrell of Sine, who has been  
visiting Miss Bertha Pauley, has re-  
turned to her home.

Miss Ward of Stirling is the guest of  
the Misses Sharpe.

Mr. George McConnell of Marmora  
spent Sunday at Mr. W. S. Dracup's.

Mr. F. A. Ashley, of Belleville, was  
a guest at Mr. Wm. Morton's on Sun-  
day.

Dame Rumor is again busy, telling  
us we will soon hear the wedding bells  
chiming in this neighborhood, and that  
two wedded bellies will soon be leaving  
this locality.

Mrs. James Maybes and Mrs. Alex.  
Morton are on the sick list.  
Mr. Charles Morton is home on a visit  
to his parents and to other friends in  
this vicinity.

The little daughters of Messrs. Wm.  
Pounder and Thos. Matthews are quite  
ill of pneumonia. Clara Wellman has  
also been ill with the same disease.

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### Racing at Fairs

The chief subject of discussion at the  
Fair Convention, held in this city last  
week, was that of racing at fairs.  
Eventually, by an overwhelming vote,  
it was recommended that the principle  
of local option be applied—that it be  
left for each fair board to decide whether  
racing shall be allowed or not.

The real point in the case was over-  
looked both in the discussion and the  
conclusion arrived at. The point is not  
whether horse racing shall be permitted  
at all fairs, but whether public money  
is to be appropriated for the purpose of  
assisting in the promotion of such rac-  
ing.

The Ontario Legislature will, this  
year, be asked to vote nearly \$70,000  
for distribution among fair boards  
in the Province. This money is to be  
voted "for the purpose of promoting  
agriculture." Is agricultural progress  
aided by the holding of a horse race of  
the class usually seen at our fair fairs?  
Do these races tend to improve the  
quality of horse flesh, or are they in-  
tended merely for purposes of entertain-  
ment? On the answer to these ques-  
tions should depend the decision whether  
public aid shall go to fairs which  
have racing as part of their program.  
Public money may very properly be  
granted to stimulate improvement in  
the quality of grain, live stock, dairy  
products, or fruit; but it is a case of  
misappropriation when funds are taken  
from the Provincial treasury to defray  
the cost of entertaining or amusing a  
crowd at a fair.—The Weekly Sun.

### The Mother and the Growing Boy

"A boy's life goes forward by leaps  
and bounds after he passes the nursery  
stage," writes Margaret E. Sangster, in  
WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION for March.  
"At least it seems to be so to his mother.  
There is the day when his father remon-  
strates about those babyish curls that  
are so beautiful, and that the mother  
twines around her fingers with such care  
and pride. The boy has begun to hate  
them, and he goes joyously to the bar-  
ber's to have them cut off. As the  
shears separate each soft ringlet, the  
mother feels as if something precious  
was severed from her very heart. She  
gathers them up and lays them away,  
and as her little lad walks beside her  
with sturdier step than before she re-  
realizes that the coming dawn of his man-  
hood is quickening on the horizon."

"There is the day when she sees her  
boy, a gallant little figure, with his  
hands in his pockets, looking an inch  
taller than yesterday, because he is  
dressed less like a little girl and more  
like the boy across the street, whom he  
has secretly envied. Those pockets  
mark an era in boyish development. Are  
they not distinctively a badge of sex?  
Surely, considering that a man has  
fourteen pockets and a woman none at  
all, the day when the boy first realizes  
that he has pockets, and that they are  
to hold whatever he pleases, is a great  
day for him. The boy has his own  
happy day, too, when he first puts on a  
real pair of stout shoes, shoes in which  
he may run and jump and kick a ball."

General Booth left London on Satur-  
day for Canada.

The Deseronto town Council is moving  
to acquire all public utilities, as gas  
and waterworks, and have them owned  
and controlled by the municipal au-  
thorities.

Some time ago it was reported that a  
boy named Claude Godfrey, living on  
the Monk road, near Bancroft, was  
shot and killed by his brother while  
"playing bear." The affair having  
been brought to the attention of the  
authorities, it was decided to investi-  
gate. County Attorney Anderson has  
instructed Police Magistrate Jarman of  
Bancroft to institute proceedings, and  
the brother will be placed under arrest,  
pending the investigation.

### Neglected Colds Threaten Life

[From the Chicago Tribune.]

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice  
for prudent men and women. It may be  
vital in the case of a child. Proper food,  
good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing  
are the proper safeguards against colds.  
If they are maintained through the change-  
able weather of autumn, winter and spring  
the chances of a surprise from ordinary  
colds will be slight. But the ordinary  
light cold will become severe if neglected,  
and a well-established ripe cold is the  
germ of diphtheria, what honey is to the  
bee. The greatest menace to child life at  
this season of the year is the neglected  
cold. Whether it is a child or adult, the  
cold slight or severe, the very best treat-  
ment that can be adopted is to give Cham-  
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# DARE HE?

## OR, A SAD LIFE STORY

### CHAPTER XVII.

"Welcome once again, and Farewell goes out sighing."

This last clause is not always true. For example, there is very little sighing in the foreboding made to Mrs. Byng by the two young men who see her at the Florence Highway Station. And Mrs. Byng herself has been too much occupied in manoeuvring to get a few last private words with each of her escort to have much time for sighing either.

She would have been wounded if her old friend Jim had not come to see the last of her, and she would have been broken-hearted if her son had not paid her this final attention; and yet each necessarily destroys the tele-tele she is burning to have with the other. It is miserable to have your adored child not go to the end in the presence of an intimate friend, and effectively hindering the guardian friend to check his downward tendency while he himself is standing by. Nor do her two companions at all aid her in her strategy; rather they show a tendency to unite in bullying her, hanging together round her like a bodyguard, and effectually hindering the last words which she is pining to administer. Only once for a very few minutes does she succeed in outwitting them, when she despatches Willy to the bookstall to buy papers for her—an errand from which he returns with an exasperating extensiveness. The instant that his back is turned, Mrs. Byng addresses her companion in an eager voice of hurry and prayer:

"You will keep an eye upon him?"

"Silence."

"You will keep an eye upon him—promise?"

"I do not know what 'keeping an eye upon him' means in your vocabulary; often you and I do not use the same dictionary: until I know, I will not promise."

"You will look after him; do, Jim?"

"My dear madam!—with irritation—

"let me go and buy your papers; and meanwhile urge him to look after me; I assure you that it is quite as necessary."

"Fiddlesticks, with your unimaginative, unemotional nature—"

"Hm!"

"Your head will always take care of your heart."

"Will it?"

"While he—promise me at least that, if you see him rushing to his ruin, you will graph to me?"

"Certainly, if you wish it; I will telegraph Willy rushing to his ruin at five-and-twenty centimes a word; it will cost you seven-pence halfpenny; not dear at the price, is it?"

The mother reddens.

"You have become a very malicious pleasant of late, Jim; oh, dear me! here he is back again, tiresome boy!"

It is with feelings tied into a knot of complications, which he scarcely seeks to unravel, that Burgoyne walks away from the station, and from the good natured drama of his life.

He is glad that he has gone, and he is sorry that she is gone. He is remorseful at his gladness, and he is ashamed of his sorrow, knowing and acknowledging that it results from no regret for her companionship, which he had been wont to prize; but to the consciousness that she had stood like an angel with a drawn sword between her son and the Piazza d'Azeglio. Both angel and drawn sword are steaming away now, covered by a handsome travelling cloak down to their heels in a coupe d'etate, and the road to the Piazza lies naked and undefended, open to the light feet that are so buoyantly treading the flags beside him.

The step of youth is always light, but there is something aggressively springy in Byng's this morning; and though he does not say anything offensively cheerful, there is a ring in his voice that makes his kind friend long to hit him. He is kind friend, is thankful when they part, without his having done him any bodily violence.

"You are late today," says Cecilia, as he enters the salon, giving him a kind of indifferent friendliness, while Sibylla crossly asks him to shut the door more quietly, and Amelia lays her hand lingeringly in his, with a silent smile of reproach. He was just thinking you had had a release. I was just telling Amelia that the pace had been too good to last—ha, ha!"

Burgoyne has always found it difficult to laugh at Cecilia's jokes, and his new perfect intimacy with her relieves him from the necessity of even feigning to do so.

"I have been seeing Mrs. Byng off," he replies, with that slight shade of awkwardness in his tone which has accompanied his every mention of the mother of his son since his explanation with his last wish.

"You let her go without getting that wedding present out of her, after all?"

Cecilia, who is in a rather trying playful mood.

"None, is she?" says Sibylla, with a somewhat combative smile of resentful relief. "Well, I, for one, shall not cry. I am afraid that she was not very sympathetic to me, she was so dreadfully robust. Perhaps, now that she is no longer here to monopolize him, we shall be allowed to see something more of that nice boy."

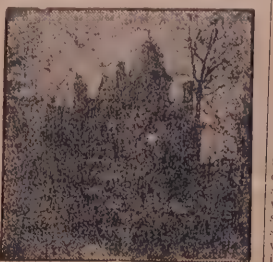
No answers. Not one of her three listeners is at the moment disposed to lend or even echo phrases of the "nice boy." Sibylla persistently pursues the subject.

"I dare say that he has a delicate about coming without a special invitation."

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that sweet and silent spot, happily too far from Florence for the swarm of tourists to invade, where earth-weary travelers find a rest scarcely less dumb than the grave in a lonely monastery of the Order of La Trappe. Through the Porta San Gallo, along the Bologna road they go. It is a soft, summer morning, with not much sun. Up past the villas and gardens, where the Banksia roses and wisterias are rioting over wall and pergola, climbing even the tall trees. Round the very head of one young pine two rose trees—a yellow and a white one—stand guard; their arms, flowered so lavishly, find hardly a pin's point could be put between the blossoms. Up and up, a white wall on either hand. The dust lies a foot thick on the road; thick too on the monthly roses, just breaking into full pink flush; thick on themselves as the multi-colored come jingling down the hill with their red tassels, and a general air of what the poet would call "the feeling given the line to the poor jaded, suffering beast. Up and up, till they leave stone walls and villas and olive-yards behind them, and are away among the mountains. At a very humble little house that has no air of an inn, they leave the carriage, and climb up a rocky road, and through a perfumed pine-wood, to where the Trappist Monastery stands, in its perfect silence and isolation, its hill-top, looking over its fir-woods at the ranges of the Appennines, lying one behind the other in the stillness of the summer-day; looking to the Arno plain, looking to Fiesole, dwarfed to a molehill's dimensions.

"And then you wonder that I am anxious to be married," says Cecilia, accompanying her future brother-in-law to the door, on the day on which the latter phenomenon has occurred, and wiping the angry tears from her plump cheeks. "I make no secret of it, I am madly anxious. I would marry anyone, I am desperate. I think what my life will be when Amelia is gone, and though, of course I shall be glad to get rid of her, she has promised that I shall be married always with her (Jim wishes)—yet of course it can't be the same thing as having a home of your own."

"We will do our best for you," replies he with a rather rueful smile and a sense of degradation, "but you know, my dear girl, anybody can lead a horse to the water, but it is not so easy to make him drink."

"That is quite true," replies Cecilia, one of whose most salient merits is an extreme unwillingness to be affronted, wiping her eyes as she speaks. "And I have no lack, such poor things turn up, and then come to nothing. Now, that clergyman the other day, whom we met at the Villa Careggi—such a pleasant gentlemanlike man—he was on the look out for a wife, he told me so himself, and I know how much about the working of a parish, and next day he was off, Heaven knows where!"

Jim gives a slight shudder.

"I do not think you had any great loss in him," he says, hastily; then, seeing her surprised air, "I mean, you know, that if he always said that a man is a better piece of machinery than a woman is, and I did not know how to take his line, and we will do better for you than that."

Cecilia can no longer excuse her future relation of any slackness in the matter of expeditions. There is something of morning, armed with some force, and the day, giving in one way or another, his prospect is carried out. It seems as if he must crowd into the last fortnight of seeing, all the jinkets, all the enjoyment which ought to have been temporarily spread over the eight years of their engagement.

One day—all nearer excursions being exhausted they drive to Monte Senario,

## ON THE FARM

### CARE OF HORSES DURING WINTER.

First secure a good barn. I say a good barn and by this I do not mean a costly, fancy one, but one that is comfortable, writes Mr. E. L. Waterhouse. No animal will do well suffering from exposures of cold and damp weather. Close up the cracks, fix that hole under the door and then you can rest assured that your horse will have a good place for the night. Fix this stable so there will be no draft, for that is what I want.

It is almost useless to say that the standard grain for the horse is oats, but a variety would be better. What I like to feed is, sheaf oats once or twice a day, according to the amount of work. At the other end give good timothy hay and a little corn. This will keep horses in good shape and they feel like work. You will find them in good condition when season's work ends. Oats give the horse strength and they feel like work. Feeding of corn feeds the horse, will eat the best and will eat a little for bedding, which is just what I want.

Then we want a method. I like to do all the feeding at night early and then, to be sure, the horse does not wait to wait till 7 o'clock in the morning to get out. Have a good lantern and get out early and feed the horse and while you are there make some use of the curry comb. A feeding hay I let the horses eat a little while at first and then give the corn or grain. I believe that is the way the horse prefers it. I know I do not want choiced pie first and then have to eat corn bread. I like to give the sheaf oats at night, for the horses have more time to pick it over. It is good practice to give a little corn at night in the cold times. The best ration for the horse is clover and timothy hay if it is of good quality.

Do not think because it is cold that horses do not need water, for water is necessary to all stock every day. There is a difference in opinion as to when is the best time to water horses. I think the latest report is that there is no difference, but I prefer watering before feeding and not until at least two hours after. I know it is not good for a man to take a large quantity of water in his stomach soon after eating and a horse has a small stomach. The horse gets used to drinking before eating and it will be better for him. All stock need to be watered. Threshed clover is the best and it is good feed for any stock. Yes, it pays to use bedding of some kind and it pays to use it liberally.

Horses that stand in the stable should have exercise daily. It will be well to have light work for them to do. If you have no work turn into a lot and let them exercise each day no matter how cold it is. They will enjoy it unless they are very bad. The colts will be convenient to have a lot next the barn for this and many other purposes. When driving during cold weather do not let the horse stand in a cold wind when warm. Get a good blanket and cover him when standing.

### PUTTING UP WIRE FENCES.

Many wire fences fail because they are not properly put up. It is a sheer waste of money to hang a good fence on posts that are too weak to support it. A short fence, a fence stretched to its full width, or that will hold up for a few years. A fence stretched so loosely either way that it will sag or buckle cannot be expected to last as long as one that is put up with every wire taut and in its place. Staples are cheaper than fencing; and the man who fastens only half the wires to each post is saving at the spigot and wasting at the bung.

Undue distance between the posts will hurt havoc. The claims of some manufacturers as to the number of posts required are very misleading. The spacing of the posts at the end and their anchoring in sharp depressions, are other matters often neglected while an insufficient stretcher soon costs the farmer much more than the difference between its price and that of a good one. Some wire fences are made of poor material, but if good posts, well braced, were universally used, and all fences were stretched as tightly by both ways as could be done without undue straining, the average life of the woven wire fence would be increased at least 10 per cent, and very likely 20 to 25 per cent.

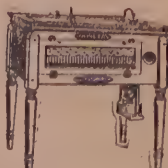
### LIVE STOCK NOTES.

If farmers only recognized the importance of keeping young stock growing, there would be fewer runts and mistics on the market, and more profit.

Don't make the mistake of feeding ground grain and whole grain together. It induces scurvy, and the young animal without chewing. As a rule feed horses whole grain. A thorough mixing of the saliva with the food is essential to the health of the horse.

One must learn to handle bees; practice must be combined with theory. As information is gathered, the apiculturist is enlarged to a profitable size. As knowledge of bee culture can be obtained more rapidly by the eye than by any other means, a few days spent in some well conducted apiary, under the direction of an expert apiarist, would be of immense value.

Which are hens or incubators, it is not the most economical method to get the eggs of ducks and hens to hatch. But let us take the four weeks. If they are put in with hens, they must be put in a week ahead or a week after. The animal that increases as the chicks grow in the shells, consequently the eggs of ducks and hens will not be of the same temperature. It is, therefore, better to hatch them separately. Goose eggs require a month. Ducks' eggs should take 28 days. All eggs, whether of geese, ducks, turkeys, or chickens, hatch at 103 degrees.



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### CREAMERY BUTTER MAKING.

As soon as cream is received at a creamery, a sample is taken of it for testing and as soon as possible, the bulk of the cream is poured into the cream vat, writes Mr. Sorenson. The temperature of the room is between 75 and 85 degrees, which, together with a starter, will nearly ripen the cream in six or seven hours. It then allow it to be cooled to 55 to 60 degrees during the night. One hour's cooling in the morning will usually bring it to churning temperature.

For cooling we use ice directly in the cream stirred until the ice is all melted. Cream is stirred every half hour for the first three or four hours. In the evening, before leaving for the night, I take the temperature of the cream and room and the acidity of the cream and if necessary, raise or lower the temperature so as to have it right for the next morning.

It is hard to tell with printer's ink when cream is just right to churn. It should have a clean, pleasant, acid taste and smell and be of smooth consistency like syrup, so that it will run from the stirring kettle with a glossy surface. Just before churning, we rinse the churn with hot and cold water and then pour in pure, boiling water. The cream is skimmed before it is put in the churn and the coloring matter calculated, according to the butter expected.

When the granules of butter are about the size of wheat grains, we draw the buttermilk and replace with the same amount of water at 50 to 55 degrees. If the butter granules seem soft, we use water at 45 degrees. The churn is then turned a few times and the water removed. Salt is added at the rate of 7 lbs. for 100 lbs. butter and the churn is again turned for seven or eight minutes. Then, after a pause of a few minutes, it is turned again. We watch carefully not to overwork the butter to destroy the grain.

In preparing tubs, first wash them thoroughly, then place over a steam jet and seal until heated through. This makes them water tight and removes all odor and taste from the wood. After this they are filled with water and the covers are put on and the tubs are allowed to stand for four or five hours. These are prepared the previous evening, so that they are ready for use when the butter is churned.

Before putting in the butter, the tubs are lined with parchment paper, which keeps the butter cleaner and prevents the absorption of flavors. We pack butter while it is pliable, taking 4 or 5 lbs. at a time, packing it in carefully. Where tubs hold 60 lbs., the butter must be packed solidly, so as to fill the tub and have no air spaces.

### BOTH SIDES OF THE STORY.

I was so strong, she used to say—

With such a fine, commanding way.

She always felt, when I was near,

That there was nothing she need fear.

She felt so safe, so confident,

It didn't matter where we went.

She wondered, too, what I could see

To like in "timid little me."

When cows would make her hold her

breath,

And mice would scare her 'most to

death.

She was the vine and I the oak,

She said—and didn't mean to joke.

My part to cherish and protect,

And more stuff to the same effect.

And yesterday she fired the cook—

I trembled at her very look.

She took a broom stick to a tramp.

You should have seen the man decamp!

At certain hours, called "wee and small,"

I take my shoes off in the hall.

I know—I do not mean to slur—

At times I don't feel safe with her.

## KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL

SANATORIUM FOR CONSUMPTIVES AT MIDHURST, ENGLAND.

Not Meant to be a Home for the Dying Forty Per Cent. Should be Cured.

The new King Edward VII. Sanatorium for Consumptives at Midhurst, Sussex, England, recently opened by the King, is to have two distinct departments of actively the laboratory and the hospital. Research will go hand in hand with the treatment of patients. It is hoped that experience and experiment will place increasingly effective weapons in the hands of medical men with which to wage war against consumption.

Dr. Brassey, the surgeon-in-charge, was the first medical man to advocate the use of an artificial diet. He has a keen knowledge of consumption, a knowledge of which he is a fellow-voting him a research grant.

He holds this opinion, based on his wide experience, that at least forty per cent. of the patients should be cured. If the cases are treated at a sufficiently early stage, the cures would be some thirty per cent. more.

### AIM TO CURE.

"The average stay of a patient will be four months," said Dr. Brassey to a London Express representative. "I shall aim to cure our patients. This is not intended to be a home for the dying, and we shall endeavor to limit only men and women who are suffering from the early stages of the disease."

"The diet of each patient will be carefully regulated, and a clip on his or her plate will indicate the particular regimen prescribed. During the rest on the balcony absolute silence will be enjoined."

"I shall encourage each one to do some definite work. Gardening will be the most general occupation. Certain walks, marked out on charts, are to be recommended. The extent will vary from, say, four to even twenty miles a day. I shall have to prohibit cycling, however."

"Of course all the patients may not be cured when they leave the institution. My aim is to teach them how to cure themselves. They can carry on the treatment even amid the smoke of London itself."

At Dr. Brassey's Mundslay sanatorium he treated working men at a fee of 18s a week. Ninety per cent. of these are now engaged in active work, and are apparently cured.

### TYPICAL DAY.

A typical patient's day, as outlined by Dr. Brassey, is as follows:—

7.30 a.m.—Rises and dresses.

8 a.m.—Goes down to the bathroom, has a douche, and is massaged by attendant.

8.30—9 a.m.—Breakfast. Then seen by an assistant doctor.

10—12 a.m.—Exercise or work.

12—1 p.m.—Rest in bed chairs on open balcony.

1.15 p.m.—Luncheon.

2—3 p.m.—Games, reading, or music.

3—5 p.m.—Exercise or work.

5 p.m.—Tea.

5—6 p.m.—Recreation (outdoor).

6—7 p.m.—Rest on balcony.

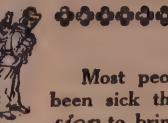
7.15 p.m.—Dinner.

8.15—9.30 p.m.—Recreation, such as bridge and other card games.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dr. Brassey will see patients in his consulting room.

A medical man who is to devote himself to research has been appointed. Under the direction of Dr. Brassey he will work in the laboratory and experiment with cultures of the tubercle bacillus. Here the real battle will be waged, and neither time nor expense is to be spared in discovering remedies that will destroy the dreaded bacilli.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 28, 1907.

## Public Meeting re Telephones

There was a large and very representative gathering at the public meeting held in the town hall on Monday evening last to consider the matter of the poor service rendered by the Bell Telephone Co. There were many of the leading farmers of the townships of Rawdon and Sidney present, showing their interest in securing telephone connection with this village, as telephones are now beginning to be looked upon as a necessity for the farmer as well as for the business man. The meeting was called for eight o'clock, but it was half past eight before the reverend Mr. W. R. Mather, took the chair and called the meeting to order. He invited to the platform the members of the village council and school board, and representatives of the Bell Co. who were present.

Before speaking the Chairman read a letter from J. Earl Halliwell, regretting his inability to be present, and expressing his sympathy with the movement for a better telephone service. Also a letter from Mr. F. M. P. Watts, showing the successful working of independent telephone lines in western Ontario.

The Chairman in opening the meeting stated that it was a meeting for the free discussion of the grievances in connection with the poor service given by the Bell Co., as well as to consider what may be done in the way of constructing an independent telephone company. He showed that monopolistic corporations were opposed to the best interests of the public generally. In 1880 the Bell Co. was organized, and until 1894 held the patents which prevented the organization of independent companies. Since the latter date numerous independent companies had been organized in Canada and the United States. He referred particularly to the state of Indiana, which was well covered by independent companies, and where the tolls paid last year amounted to \$3,000,000, whereas if the rates had been the same as the Bell Co. the tolls would have been over \$7,000,000, or more than double. He also referred to Manitoba, where recently the people decided in favor of Government control of telephones. He read extracts from what Mr. Colin Campbell, the Attorney-General of Manitoba, said in reference to the Bell Co., saying it was Russian in its methods. We want something better than that here. The service here was far from what it ought to be.

Mr. L. Meiklejohn had found the present telephone service very unsatisfactory in every respect, and gave instances of its bad working. He had learned that the Bell Co. were carrying a line from Campbellford to various places in Rawdon, and soliciting the farmers to connect themselves with it, and thus cut off Stirling from those who trade here, to the great injury of this village.

Mr. Casement, of Madoc, a representative of the Bell Co., was next invited to speak, and spoke for some time in defence of the Bell Co., but did not give any promise of a better service.

Mr. Hampton and Mr. Simpson, also representatives of the Bell Co., were heard, but they said nothing of giving an improved service.

Dr. Bissonnette said the service he had had from the Bell Co. was far from good. He had been promised a model service but did not have it. When, after repeated complaints of the poor service, to which no attention was paid, he refused to pay and ordered the phone to be taken out, it was then fixed, and it did not take twenty minutes to do it. Since then he had a better service.

Mr. Mather said he did not know until Saturday that there was a telephone service to Sine, Moira, and West Huntingdon, and said the Bell Co. should have informed its subscribers of the fact.

Mr. Simpson said the newspaper should have given the information.

Mr. Mather said he did not look to the newspaper for a telephone directory. Mr. Thrasher gave some facts as to the very inefficient service. He was pleased to have this opportunity of a heart to heart talk with the representatives of the Bell Co.

Mr. C. W. Thompson said the Sprague telephone line in Prince Edward Co. gave a much better and cheaper service than is given here.

Mr. Meiklejohn, seconded by Mr. Thrasher, moved the following resolution: That a committee composed of the following gentlemen be appointed to meet representatives of the Bell Co. or others, and report at a future meeting—W. R. Mather, M. Bird, F. T. Ward, J. E. Halliwell, G. G. Thrasher, Dr. Alger, J. S. Morton, W. S. Martin, W. R. Howson, L. Meiklejohn, Dr. Faulkner, W. W. Draup, J. S. Williams, Elgin Jackson, Thos. H. Matthews, Geo. A. Johnson, B. C. Tucker, Fred Jeffs, W. T. Simpson, J. B. Morton, Peter Fargay, Jas. Gay, J. W. Sager, Ed. Pitman, Martin Hough, R. N. Bird, and S. P. Morden. Carried.

Mr. S. G. Scott gave some information in reference to the Royal Telephone Co. which he was organizing. He stated that telephones could be put in for \$10, or when there was more than one on a line, for \$3 each. The cost of installing a service of 200 phones would be \$10,000, and it would be a paying investment from the first.

Mr. Jas. Boldrick made some inquiries for Rheumatic Sufferers.

The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, neuralgia, lame back, lumbago and deep seated muscular pains. For sale by Morton & Haight.

les in reference to electric lighting, and the chairman called upon Mr. Casement, of Madoc, to give some information as to electric lighting in that village. He stated that the municipal plant was working most satisfactorily, but he had not figures at hand to give all the particulars required.

As the hour was getting late the Chairman suggested that the matter of electric lighting be left over for a future meeting, and that in the meantime more information could be obtained on the subject.

After singing a verse of the National Anthem the meeting adjourned.

A few days ago a young man said to be eighteen years of age was up for trial before Judge Deroche, senior county judge, at Belleville, charged with a most serious crime, yet because he was under 21 years of age the Judge said that he had no other course but to dismiss the case. We have no doubt but that the Judge interpreted the law correctly, but it is a grave miscarriage of justice, and shows that the criminal law in this respect needs amendment. Crimes of the nature charged should not go unpunished on account of the offender being under age. If old enough to commit the crime he is certainly old enough to be punished for it.

## Poison and Alcohol in Patent Medicine.

The Patent Medicine Act now before parliament provides for a system of registration of all patent medicines for their analysis by the inland revenue department, thus ensuring that they do not contain undue or dangerous quantities of alcohol and poisonous drugs.

Upon application for registration, every manufacturer must submit two standard samples with an affidavit as to the percentage of alcohol or of certain named drugs it contains, if any. If the percentages are found as represented, and not in dangerous quantities, a certificate for sale may be granted by the department. The registered number shall be affixed to the package, also an inland revenue stamp, together with the price plainly marked.

Should analysis prove the medicine not to comply with the law in the matter of undue proportion of alcohol, it may be declared an alcoholic beverage. Should it contain a dangerous proportion of the drugs named in the act, or cocaine in any form, the minister may order that the medicine in question shall not be sold unless the formula of ingredients is revised in accordance with the directions of the minister.

## Another Tax With a String To It.

The Ontario Government's addition to the tax on railways, small as it was had a string to it. While providing that part of the additional revenue so raised should go to the municipalities, it provided further that there should be deducted from the portion payable to the municipalities a charge for maintaining non-pay patients in the Provincial asylums.

The new mining tax, which the Provincial Government recently announced its intention of imposing, also has a string to it. The revenue to be derived from a graded tax on the output of mines will, it is estimated, amount at the beginning to something like \$360,000 a year. But \$165,000 of this amount is to be paid back again in the form of Provincial bounties on ores refined in the Province. Of this latter sum, \$50,000 will be given as a bounty on the refining of nickel, \$50,000 for the refining of copper, \$30,000 for cobalt, and \$15,000 for arsenic. Thus, what should be a very important item in the public revenue, to be devoted to public purposes, is to be made the means of adding one more to the list of industries maintained in part at public expense.—Weekly Sun.

The estimates of Provincial Treasurer Matheson provide for an expenditure of \$5,519,131.25.

Receipts of the Province for the year were \$7,149,473.39, and expenditures \$6,729,79.07, leaving a surplus of \$429,693.32.

Between 30,000 and 40,000 samples of seed grain will be distributed from the Experimental farm among the farmers of Canada this season.

The Canadian Northern Railway had a bill before the Railway Committee at Ottawa providing for building about 1,200 miles of railway in Ontario.

A case of alleged bigamy is reported from Bancroft, the contracting parties being Jas. Hawley of Montserrat and Mrs. Fred Lott of Bancroft. The woman is about 22, and was married about four years ago to Fred Lott, who, it is said, deserted his wife about a year ago. He is said to be now serving a term in jail for robbery. Proceedings will be taken against the couple.

On Saturday morning, when boring at a depth of 250 feet on a well on the northwest corner of lot 21, concession 4, Romney township, the tools disappeared and a rush of oil overran the well for acres. Thousands of barrels of oil were lost. Experts say an oil lake has been entered, and that the showing is the best in the field yet. The well will probably run hundreds of barrels daily.

The Tweed News says: Mr. Perkins, who is in the employ of the Nichols Chemical Company and has just completed a report for the Company on a system of waterworks for their large plant near Tweed, is engaged taking some levels in town towards a partial report on a system of waterworks and sewerage for the village. It is quite possible that a company may be formed to put in a system of waterworks here or that the Nichols Chemical Company may take the matter in hand.

Piles get quick relief from a Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment. Remember, it's made ALONE for piles—and works with certainty and satisfaction. Itching, painful, protruding piles disappear like magic by its use. Try it and see. Sold by Morton & Haight.

## THE DETECTIVE STORY

Origin and Growth of the Clever Amateur Sleuth.

VOLTAIRE WAS HIS CREATOR.

The Great French Writer Introduced Him to the World of Fiction—The Genius of Poe and Gaboriau and Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes.

Most persons who read detective stories, and most literary critics, too, believe that this very popular form of fiction was invented by Edgar Allan Poe. They point to his story of "The Purloined Letter" as being the first of its kind—the first in which is introduced the man of keen mind, of close reasoning, and of constructive imagination, who is able to piece together certain facts that are known and then by brilliant deduction to pass from them to other facts which are not known, but the truth of which he is able to establish beyond a doubt.

Poe himself had a mind precisely of this character—the mind of a mathematician, subtle, logical and capable of searching analysis. He once gave a remarkable illustration of what he could do as an investigator of mysterious crime. A young shopgirl named Mary Rogers was found murdered under circumstances which excited great public interest in New York. The police were completely baffled, though they advanced a theory which was plausible in part. Poe, taking the facts that were admitted, wove them into a story, the scene of which he laid in Paris and which he called "The Mystery of Marie Roget." Then from what was known he passed by deductive reasoning to what was quite unknown and worked out a solution to the puzzle which no professional detective had been able to explain. Years afterward the confession of a dying man afforded proof that Poe was right and that he had reconstructed accurately, the whole series of events which led to the death of Mary Rogers.

This remarkable achievement fixed in the public mind the notion that this use of logic blended with imagination was original with Poe. As a matter of fact, it is almost certain that Poe, who was deeply versed in French literature, got the suggestion of the method from reading certain passages in the oriental tale called "Zadig," by Voltaire. In this book a young man is questioned as to whether he had seen a stray dog and horse that might have passed him on his journey. In reply he describes very accurately the peculiarities of both, though he had not seen them. He had deduced his knowledge from observing certain indications along the way—the nature of the footprints and many other signs which the ordinary person would either not have noticed or would have been too dull to understand. Here is really the germ of the conception which Poe so brilliantly elaborated in the story of "The Purloined Letter," where we find exhibited the striking contrast between the working of a usual mind and the achievements of a mind of exceptional power and training.

Poe's central figure, the amateur detective, was afterward caught up and elaborated with great effect by several French writers, of whom the chief was Emile Gaboriau. Gaboriau gave the world the character of M. Lecocq in the remarkable novel of that name. Lecocq is a professional detective, but appears in that book as a novice, inexperienced, but full of intelligence and enthusiasm and obliged to work out his clues against the secret opposition of his official chief, Gevrot, who is jealous of the young detective. In the background is the interesting figure of the real amateur detective, old Father Tire-au-Clair ("Bring-to-light"), a retired tradesman who studies crime from sheer love of the intellectual puzzle which it affords him and which he solves by purely scientific deduction.

Sir Conan Doyle in creating Sherlock Holmes openly acknowledged his great indebtedness to Poe. Like Poe's hero, Holmes works apart from the official police and is consulted by them when they are wholly at a loss. Many of the incidents in the Holmes cycle of stories were suggested by the inventions of Poe. Yet it is only fair to say that Doyle has gone one step further than his master. Poe's characters are abstractions. They are like chessmen on the board and excite interest only because of the complexity of the problem which they are made to solve. Doyle's characters, on the other hand, are drawn with sympathy and a shrewd insight into human nature. They entertain us by their whims and individual traits no less than by the adventures through which they pass. Thus Holmes' addiction to the cocaine habit, his trick of smoking great quantities of shag tobacco when thinking out a problem, his dislike of women, his skill as a boxer—in fact, a score of traits all give him individuality and make us think of him as a fascinating character quite apart from his powers as a deductive reasoner. And it is so with the minor personages as well—Watson, the somewhat obtuse chronicler of the adventures; Lestrade and Gregson of the official police and Moriarty, the arch criminal.

But, however brilliant Poe may have been, or however ingeniously Gaboriau may have spun tangled plots, or how ever ably Conan Doyle may have given life and reality to the central figure of his stories, they all derive their inspiration, whether consciously or not, from the clever tale told by the famous Frenchman before Poe saw the light.—Scrap Book.

## IMITATION PEARLS.

They May Be Detected by the Hole Drilled Through Them.

The means of ascertaining the genuineness of pearls, which are frequently imitated with marvelous skill, is especially important to the layman, even though the jeweler may quickly detect them. Imitations are usually lighter than the real thing, and generally are brittle, although some are made solid of fish scales and do not break so easily, while the holes, which in the real pearl are drilled very small and have a sharp edge, are in the false larger and have a blunt edge. As a rule, the imitation pearls are like hollow spheres of glass colored internally with a coating imitating the orient of natural pearl.

The manufacture of these articles embraces two series of operations—the production of the sphere and the introduction of coloring. The spheres are produced by the glassblower, who by aid of an enameled lamp solders the extremity of a tube when the substance is of the right consistency. In this way are obtained very regular little spheres that serve for the composition of the ordinary quality of false pearls.

In the more beautiful imitations the tube employed is slightly opalescent, and the glassblower, besides, gives to the little spheres while they are yet malleable certain slight perceptible inequalities of surface by gently tapping them with a small iron bar. This gives them a still greater resemblance to natural pearls, which are very seldom absolutely regular.—Exchange.

## WEIGHT OF PLANETS.

It Is the Mass of the Body That Counts With the Astronomer.

If a ham weighing thirty pounds were taken up to the moon and weighed there, the "pull"—the attractive force of the moon upon the ham—would amount to only five pounds. There would be another weight of the ham for the planet Mars and yet another on the sun. A ham weighing thirty pounds at New York ought to weigh some 800 pounds on the sun's surface; hence the astronomer does not speak of the weight of a planet, because that would depend upon the place where it was weighed. But he speaks of the mass of the planet, which means how much planet there is, no matter where it might be weighed.

At the same time we might, without any inexactness, agree that the weight of a heavenly body should be fixed by the weight it would have in New York. As we could not imagine a planet in New York, because it may be larger than the earth itself, what we are to imagine is this: Suppose the planet could be divided into a million million million equal parts and one of these parts brought to New York and weighed. We could easily find its weight in pounds or tons. Then multiply this by a million million million, and we shall have a weight of the planet. This would be equivalent to what astronomers might take as the mass of the planet.

## A Use For His Hat.

A funny incident of a drawing room meeting was recently noticed. A grave looking gentleman, with an unusually tall hat, entered and, seeing no rack in the hall, placed his hat on the floor just behind the door. Pretty soon another grave man entered, with a large, dripping umbrella, and, peering anxiously for the usual receptacle, saw in the gloom the hat resting on the floor. His eyesight was probably poor, for he mistook it for one of the new umbrella holders, and in it he deposited his dripping umbrella. This was an example for those who followed, and in a short time the solemn looking hat was stanchly holding a dozen umbrellas. At the end of the meeting the water in the hat was an inch in depth.—London Tit-Bits.

## A Thirsty Cat.

"Perhaps you think the old water in the milk pail has been worked to death, but I've found a new variation of it," said a south side man recently. "You know, I have a small negro girl as a nurse for my children, and one of her duties is to tell stories to the kids just before bedtime. They always listen intently to what she says, and last night I decided to listen too. This is what I heard:

"'An' do cat, she got thirsty, an' got thirster an' mo' thirster, an' finally she went to a pan ob milk sittin' in de pantry to get a drink ob watah.'

"I told the story to our milkman this morning, and he didn't laugh at all."

## Absentminded.

The judge was at dinner in the new household, according to the Philadelphia Ledger, when the young housekeeper asked:

"Did you ever try any of my biscuits, judge?"

"No," replied the judge, "I never did, but I dare say they deserve it."

## Department.

The new steamer was on its first trip, with a lot of landlubbers on board. "Isn't she behaving beautifully, captain, in this heavy sea?" exclaimed an enthusiastic marine reporter.

"Yes, sir," said the gruff captain; "a great deal better, sir, than the passengers are."

## Does Your Girl Swim?

Wedderly—Can the girl you are engaged to swim? Singleton—I don't know. But why do you ask? Wedderly—Because if she can you ought to be happy. A girl who can swim can keep her mouth shut.

A man rarely has reason to regret the things he doesn't say or the letters he doesn't write.

## TURNED THE JOKE.

The Way a Bridegroom Got the Laugh on His "Funny" Chum.

Under the thin disguise of harmless fun many an unpardonable rude prank is played upon newly married couples. It is refreshing to hear of an occasion at instance in which the "joke" reacts on the joker. A young man and his bride, who had just been married in a western town, were starting on their wedding journey. They had managed to reach the train in safety despite the showers of rice and old shoes.

Just as they had taken their seats in the car one of the bridegroom's chums came hastily in to bid him goodbye. As the young husband extended his hand the friend snapped a handcuff round his wrist.

The groom had been suspecting a trick of some kind, and before the practical joker could play a similar trick on the bride he found the other handcuff snapped round his own wrist. He was chained to the happy bridegroom himself.

"That's a good one on me, Harry," he said, with a sickly kind of smile, "but I'll have to ask you to come to the door with me and get the key to these things from the fellow outside that's got it. Hold on, conductor, just a minute!"

But the conductor, whose quick eye had taken in the situation, refused to wait. He gave the order for starting, and the train pulled out. It was a through train and made no stop for the next fifty miles. Before it stopped, however, the brakeman, with the aid of a sharp file and a hammer, succeeded in releasing Harry. The practical joker meanwhile had had to pay full fare for the fifty miles and still had his fare home to pay.

## FRENCH SENTIMENT.

The Way It Classifies the Greatest Men of the Nation.

The Petit Parisien in 1906 conducted a very interesting plebiscite, the object of which was to ascertain who, in the opinion of its readers, were the ten greatest Frenchmen of the nineteenth century. More than 15,000,000 votes were given, and the result was that Pasteur came out at the top of the poll with 1,338,425 votes. The next were Victor Hugo, who received 1,227,103 votes; Gambetta 1,155,672; Napoleon 1,118,034; Thiers 1,039,453; Lazare Carnot 950,772; Curie 851,107; A. Dumas pere 850,602; Dr. Roux 803,941 and Parmentier 498,863. Immediately following were Ampere, the electrician; Brazza, the explorer; Zola, Lamartine and Arago.

It will be observed with interest how large is the proportion of scientific men in the number of those who, in the opinion of Frenchmen, occupy the highest places in the records of the country. Napoleon is only fourth, though Pasteur heads the list, and Curie, Roux and Parmentier, the chemist who introduced the culture of the potato into France, are also honored, while Ampere and Brazza are not far behind. Literary men and statesmen dispute with the scientists for the highest distinctions, and the national sentiment of France is evidently eclectic.

## Animals That Are Trained.

The animal trainer paused in his midnight supper.

"It is strange," he said, "how training increases an animal's value. I can buy a young lion for \$100, train it and sell it for \$500 afterward. Take the group I performed with tonight—three lions, three tigers, two leopards, four bears and four boarhounds. They are all young adults in the pink of condition, but untrained they wouldn't be worth more than \$1500 or \$2000 at the outside. Yet the boss was offered \$50,000 for them last week. The training sets the price, and no wonder. It took four years to train this group of sixteen animals in it now, no less than seventy had to be tried and discarded before we got together the sixteen we wanted."

## Short Stay Neighborhoods.

A man who contemplated going into business for himself looked around for a good location. He rejected the advice of two friends who had suggested neighborhoods which they thought desirable.

"I don't like either of the places," he said. "Business can't be good around there. I have passed through those streets many times, and always I have been struck with the frequency with which the names on the shops are changed. That doesn't look promising. Wherever a man finds trade profitable he stays; contrariwise, he moves. None of the short stay neighborhoods for me."

## Causes of Headache.

People get headache because they do not take sufficient active exercise to keep the blood circulating actively, become excited and often about things that do not concern them at all, neglect daily action of bowels, lie in bed on a low pillow, take too much alcohol, allow the feet to get cold, take iron and quinine when these drugs do not agree with the system.

## The Return.

"I believe," said the cheery philosopher, "that for every single thing you give away two come back to you."

"That's my experience," said Phamley. "Last June I gave away my daughter, and she and her husband came back to us in August."

It often takes a lot of common sense to get a man out of trouble a little nonsense got him into. —Beaver (Okla.) Herald.

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Legislators in France are seriously alarmed at the increase of insanity throughout the country. Doctors tell them that there is no doubt the chief cause of this is drink, and now the Legislators are working to secure laws to restrict its consumption. Absinthe and similarly poisonous liquors are no doubt the chief cause of the trouble.

The question of accommodation for the travelling public is an exceedingly serious one in many of the localities in which local option has been adopted. Mr. Preston of East Durham proposes to meet the difficulty that has been created by allowing municipalities to create no liquor licenses is allowed, to bonus temperance hotels. This proposal can hardly be accepted as a proper solution of the problem presented. Aside from the objection to the bonus system in itself, there would be the impossibility of fixing the specifications as to the sort of accommodation to be provided in order to earn the bonus.

## A Doctor's Medicine

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is not a simple cough syrup. It is a strong medicine, a doctor's medicine. It cures hard cases, severe and desperate cases, chronic cases of asthma, pleurisy, bronchitis, consumption. Ask your doctor about this.

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and satisfaction guaranteed. Orders for  
the News-Argus office or addressed to me at  
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WM. RODGERS.

## The March Woman's Home Companion

The gist of the divorce question is  
that those who have united to give life  
to a human being should stay united to  
cherish and develop that life, according  
to Professor Felix Adler, as expressed  
in his conservative discussion of uni-  
form divorce laws in the March Wo-  
man's Home Companion. After all is  
said and done this seems to be the hu-  
mane and desirable view of a very  
grave social subject, and Professor Ad-  
ler makes it plain in his important con-  
tribution. The March Woman's Home  
Companion also contains "A Talk on  
Good Deeds," by Edward Everett Hale,  
who, with the cheerful view of a re-  
markable octogenarian, tells his readers  
how they can be good by doing good to  
others. One of the many strong features  
of the March Woman's Home Companion  
is an unpublished drawing by Whistler.  
It is an exquisite example of the great  
master's art, notable for its beauty of  
line, wonderful figure-drawing and deli-  
cacy of atmosphere, and will appeal  
strongly to Whistler's innumerable ad-  
mirers. The fascination of unlimited  
wealth is described by Anna Steers  
Richardson in an article entitled, "The  
Woman of Millions—How She Spends  
Her Money," in which she gives many  
surprising facts. Another article of  
direct interest to feminine readers is  
"What the Chicago Woman's Club Has  
Done for Chicago," by Bertha D. Knobe.  
The real function of the woman's club  
has not yet been settled, at least to the  
satisfaction of the general public, but  
the success of the Chicago Woman's  
Club in civic reform work will go far  
toward solving the problem. Another  
article strongly appealing to women,  
and especially to mothers, is "The  
Mother and the Growing Boy," by Mar-  
garet E. Sangster. This article forms  
one of a series in which Mrs. Sangster  
talks helpfully to mothers about their  
many problems. The fiction is headed  
by "The Domestic Adventurers," a de-  
lightful novel serial by Josephine Daskam  
Baker. "The Adventurers" are three  
bachelor women who live together in  
some happiness and much excitement.  
It is only necessary to say that the  
cause of their adventures are five extra-  
ordinary servants to induce every wo-  
man to read the serial. Other stories  
are contributed by Zora Gay, Julia  
Trent Bishop, and Mary W. Hastings.  
The departments conducted by Grace  
Margaret Gould, Fannie Merritt Far-  
mer, Evelyn Parsons, Sam Loyd and  
Anna Steers Richardson are unusually  
interesting. The children's pages con-  
tained by Ann Janet and Dan Beard  
offer a pleasing array of good things.

Sir Charles Dillke's bill for the en-  
franchisement of woman, now before  
the British Parliament, provides that  
every registered woman of full age  
shall have equal vote with men, and  
that neither marriage nor sex shall dis-  
qualify them from voting or being  
elected to either local or national offices.  
After next general election there will  
be 221 instead of 214 members in the  
Canadian Commons. Too many mem-  
bers. Canada, with a population of six  
millions, has in her House of Commons  
and Provincial Legislatures almost as  
many elected representatives as has  
Great Britain with a population seven  
times as great.

## PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cook, of Carmel,  
Thurford, spent a few days last week  
the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. July.  
Mrs. Wm. French, of Madoc Junction,  
has returned home, after spending a week  
with her mother, Mrs. James July.  
Mr. J. Buchanan, of the Sovereign Bank  
staff has received notice of his transfer to  
London, and will leave for there on Sat-  
urday.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Couits, Lakefield,  
with their wife, Mrs. Demill, are here visit-  
ing their parents and friends in Rawdon  
and vicinity.

If you are constipated, dull or bilious, or  
have a hollow lifeless face, take  
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dinary type, 10c. per line.  
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insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

## RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:  
GOING WEST.  
Mail & Ex., 5.37 a.m. Passenger, 10.17 a.m.  
Passenger, 4.42 p.m. Mail & Ex., 5.43 p.m.

## The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 28, 1907.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

Brigade camp will be at Kingston  
June 17th to 28th.

The Epworth League are arranging  
to visit the League at Spring Brook on  
Friday evening, March 8th.

All the railways in Canada are said  
to have come to an agreement not to  
run any excursions on civic holidays  
in future.

Mr. John Johnston, of Rawdon,  
executor of the estate of the late T. H.  
Bradley, started for Texas, on Tuesday,  
to wind up the affairs of the estate  
there.

Mr. Daniel Petherick, of Seymour,  
and Miss Christina Anderson, of the  
same locality, were united in marriage  
at the Presbyterian manse on Wednes-  
day afternoon, Feb. 27th.

The song service at the Presbyterian  
church on Sunday night will be followed  
by a religious story, entitled "Little  
Meg's Children." The story is inter-  
spersed with appropriate hymns.

COAL.—Just received a carload of chest-  
nut Coal, for ranges. \$7.50 per ton.  
THOS. H. MCKEE.

Mr. Fred Fletcher, of Weyburn, Sask.,  
left for home on Tuesday morning, after  
spending several months visiting rela-  
tives, and waiting at the bedside of his  
mother, who died on Thursday last.

Mr. Paul W. Hagerman, of Rawdon,  
placed on our table last week a hen's  
egg measuring 7 x 3 1/2 inches. It was  
laid by a Plymouth Rock hen, and it  
will be hard for any other hen to beat it.

A new time table takes effect on the  
Central Ontario Railway on Monday  
next, March 4th. Trains will call at  
Anson station, going North, at 7.10 a.m.  
and 1.40 p.m. Going south at 10.15 a.  
m., and 4.25 p.m.

At a special meeting of the Kingston  
Presbytery held in Belleville on Tues-  
day the principal business transacted  
was considering the call to Rev. H. F.  
Graham, of Sudbury, by St. Peter's  
church in Madoc, which was sustained,  
and was transmitted to the Algoma  
Presbytery for their approval.

Remember the open meeting of the  
W. M. S. of the Methodist church to be  
held to-morrow evening in the S. S.  
room. A good programme has been  
prepared, and which refreshments will  
be served. A cordial invitation is ex-  
tended to all. A silver collection will  
be taken at the door.

The public meeting held on Monday  
evening, though successful in point of  
numbers, and with a good array of  
speakers, cannot be said to be a very  
satisfactory one as regards a betterment  
of the telephone situation. There were  
three representatives of the Bell Com-  
pany present, and all had their say, but  
not one of them held out any hope or  
promise of any improvement in the ser-  
vice now given. But little was said in  
reference to the organizing of an inde-  
pendent telephone company, which we  
think is the only way to secure a good  
service. The experience of other places  
shows that an independent company  
can give a good service, and also at  
more reasonable rates, at the same time  
paying a good dividend to stockholders.  
This matter should receive the earnest  
attention of all interested in securing a  
good telephone service at moderate  
prices.

Mr. Robt. Lanigan, president of the  
Stirling Agricultural Society, and Mr.  
Thos. H. McKee, treasurer, attended  
the meeting of the Fairs Association in  
Toronto last week. The meeting was  
very largely attended, there being  
about 250 delegates present from all  
over the Province. A great deal of the  
time was taken up in discussing the  
abolition of horse racing at fairs, a large  
majority of the delegates contending  
that it would be very injurious, in fact  
be most likely to so lessen the attend-  
ance as to put many fairs out of busi-  
ness. The Association at its closing  
session decided to have a deputation  
wait on the Hon. Mr. Monteith, Minis-  
ter of Agriculture, to ask for such an  
amendment to the act relating to fairs  
as will permit the holding of races or  
speeding tests, but subject to such regu-  
lations as will prevent professional  
racers monopolizing the tracks, and to  
effectively prohibit all gambling, pool  
selling and betting. What action the  
Government will take is not yet known.

Mr. Hugh Gillon, of Marmora, has  
received the appointment from the Do-  
minion Government as Immigration  
agent for Marmora and vicinity.

Mr. Stewart Masson has been ap-  
pointed Police Magistrate for Belleville  
in place of Mr. J. B. Flint, who was  
dismissed by the Ontario Government.

**Skin Disease of Twenty Years.**  
Standing Cured  
I want you to know how much Cham-  
berlain's Salve has done for me. I have  
cured by face of a skin disease of almost  
twenty years' standing. I have been treat-  
ed by several of the smart physicians as we  
have in this country and they did me no  
good. I had two boxes of this salve from  
me—Mrs. FANNIE GRIFFIN, Troy, Ala.  
Chamberlain's Salve is for sale by Morton &  
Haight.

## COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of the News-Argus.

DEAR SIR,—Judging by the attend-  
ance of the people of Stirling and sur-  
rounding country at the public meeting  
on Monday evening, I would say that a  
very deep interest is being taken in the  
telephone question. That is as it should  
be, for the more interest the general  
public takes in a question like this, the  
sooner you will get what you desire.

Now, as I understand the situation,  
the business men and farmers of this  
district are not as yet decided whether  
they will take the service given by the  
Bell Company or that of some independ-  
ent Co. In regard to that I will say  
that those who take the Bell service at  
their rates will pay double what they  
should pay for a first class service, and  
not get a good service either.

On Monday night the Bell Telephone  
Co. had three speakers on the platform  
to present their side of the case, but so  
far as making any progress towards a  
satisfactory arrangement for telephone  
service to the farmers was concerned,  
those speakers might just as well not  
have said a word. I am going to ex-  
plain in this public way what the Royal  
Telephone Co. is prepared to give the  
public in the way of a good service, not  
alone from one village to another, but  
amongst the farmers surrounding those  
places, and of whom the telephone is of  
more real use than it is to the town  
residents.

In the first place we will guarantee to  
give a first class service to everybody  
on our lines; the free use of our lines  
within a limit of 30 miles from the local  
exchange, each 15 miles outside that  
limit to cost 5c. We will give a night  
service extra at either \$2 per year or  
the usual rates to any part of the lines,  
namely, 5c. to any part of the local ex-  
change, 10c. to a limit of 30 miles, and  
5c. for each 15 miles outside the limit.  
These are our rates for public telephon-  
ing from the central office as well. We  
will also give long distance connection  
at the rates charged us by the connect-  
ing company.

Our rates for installing telephones are  
\$12 for store or office, \$10 for residence  
with separate line to office, and \$8 per  
year where we can get from five to  
twenty-five subscribers on a line.

At those rates, Mr. Editor, this com-  
pany intends to conduct a first class  
service, and a paying service too.

One of the Bell speakers on Monday  
night made the statement that an in-  
dependent company could not operate  
at any lower rates than they charge,  
but I am prepared to meet any repre-  
sentative of the Bell or any other com-  
pany on the public platform at any  
time and prove that it can be done.

I intend to continue canvassing for  
subscribers for the telephones, and  
would respectfully solicit the patronage  
of all those who use the telephone.

Thanking you for this space, I remain,  
Yours truly,  
S. G. SCOTT.

## Obituary

Orno Eugene Vandervoort, son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Fred Vandervoort, River Val-  
ley, was born into this world Nov. 9th,  
1905, and departed this life on Feb. 22,  
1907. A series of attacks of pneumonia  
beginning a year ago, had weakened the  
frail heart until it had ceased its work.  
Heaven is enriched by another beautiful  
flower that the Master has plucked in  
sweet innocence and purity. The funeral  
took place on Sunday morning at the  
Methodist church, and the sermon,  
preached by Rev. W. G. Clarke, was  
from the text "My times are in Thy  
hand." The cup of life was dashed to  
the ground almost before it reached the  
lips. But what God orders is best.  
The young parents have the prayers  
and sympathies of a wide circle of friends.

We shall miss him when the flowers come  
in the garden where he played.  
We shall miss him more by the bedside  
When the flowers are all decayed;  
We shall see his toys and his empty chair,  
And the house he used to ride.  
And they will speak with silent speech  
Of the little boy who died.

We shall go home to our Father's house—  
To our Father's house in the skies,  
Where the hope of our souls shall have no  
blight.

And our love no broken ties;  
We shall roam on the banks of the river of  
Peace,  
And bathe in its blissful tide;  
And one of the joys of our Heaven will be  
The little boy who died.

## Hockey

A good game of hockey was played  
on Friday evening when the local Jun-  
iors trimmed Belleville Juniors by a  
score of 13 to 7. At full time the score  
was 7 to 7, but on playing 10 minutes  
over time Stirling won. The game was  
one of the most exciting played here  
this year, as the score was tied on four  
different occasions. Belleville play a  
nice combination and are fast skaters.  
Graham in goal, for Belleville, played a  
star game, as also did Spangenberg on  
the defense. For Stirling the whole  
team played well.

What promises to be the best game of  
the season will be played Friday evening  
when Trenton and Stirling meet on the  
rink here. Trenton is bringing a  
fast team and expect to win. Stirling  
will have on its strongest team so a  
great game may be looked for.

Three persons were killed and many  
injured in a railway wreck near Guelph.  
Baneroff village Council have made  
application to the Hydro-Electric Com-  
mission to send an expert to that village  
to report on the power that can be sup-  
plied and the cost thereof.

Group can positively be stopped in 20  
minutes. No vomiting—nothing to sicken  
or distress your child. A sweet, pleasant  
and safe syrup, called Dr. Shoop's Group  
Cure, does the work and does it quickly.  
Dr. Shoop's Group Cure is for group alone,  
remember. It does not claim to cure  
dozen ailments. It's for group, that's all.  
Sold by Morton & Haight.

To stop a cold with "Preventives" is safer  
than to let it run and cure it afterwards.  
Taken at the "sneezing stage" Preventives  
will head off all colds and grippe, and per-  
haps save you from pneumonia or bron-  
chitis. Preventives are little toothsome  
candy cold cure tablets, selling in 5-cent  
and 25-cent boxes. If you are chilly, if you  
suddenly check the cold, and please you. Sold  
by Morton & Haight.

A fire in a Protestant school in Mon-  
treal on Tuesday afternoon caused the  
death of sixteen children, and the lady  
principal of the school, Miss S. Maxwell.

## Auction Sales

FRIDAY, MARCH 1st.—On the premises  
of Mr. D. R. Corrigan, on lot 7, con. 3, Hunt-  
ington, the entire lot of farm stock and im-  
plements. Sale to be held on Friday,  
March 1st, at 1 o'clock sharp. Wm. Rod-  
gers, auctioneer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2nd.—At the Kerby  
House yards, Stirling, a number of horses,  
cattle, pigs, etc., belonging to Mr. Clinton  
McGee. Sale at 2 o'clock p.m., sharp.  
Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6th.—On lot 19,  
con. 4, Rawdon, the farm stock, im-  
plements and household furniture belonging  
to Mr. S. N. Sexsmith. Sale to commence  
at 10.30 a.m. Free lunch at noon. Wm.  
Rodgers, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7th.—On west half lot  
13, in the 3rd concession of the County of  
dairy cattle, horse and pigs, the prop-  
erty of Harry M. Brown. Sale at one  
o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

MONDAY, MARCH 11th.—Mr. Jas. M. Scott  
will have a sale of his farm stock and im-  
plements at his residence, lot 34, con. 5,  
Sidney. Sale to begin at 10 o'clock sharp.  
Free lunch at noon.  
D. J. FAIRFIELD,  
Auctioneer.

## Dentists.

FLETCHER.—In Rawdon, on Feb. 21st, Julia  
Fletcher, widow of the late Joseph Fletcher,  
aged 77 years, 10 months and 5 days.

VANDERVOORT.—In Sidney, on Friday, Feb.  
22, 1907, Orno Eugene Vandervoort, son of W.  
(Fred) and Cora Vandervoort, aged 1 year,  
6 months and 13 days.

## STRAY DOG.

Came to the premises of the subscriber,  
about two weeks since, a Bull Dog. The  
owner will please pay charges and take  
him away.  
HARRY J. STAPLEY,  
Halloway, 24-3  
Feb. 23rd, 1907.

## Farm Laborers and Domestic

I have been appointed by the Dominion  
Government to place immigrants from the  
United Kingdom in position as farm lab-  
orers or domestic servants in this vicinity.  
Any person requiring such help should  
notify me by letter, stating fully the kind  
of help required, when wanted, and wages  
offered. The number arriving may not be  
sufficient to supply all requests, but every  
effort will be made to provide each appli-  
cant with help required.

T. G. CLUTE,  
Canadian Gov't Employment Agent,  
Stirling P.O.

## Notice

We are offering for sale  
2,000 shares of 5% Preferred Stock  
OF THE  
ROYAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

and would be pleased to have all who wish  
to become Shareholders of the Company  
hand their names and the amount they  
want to take to the Secretary. The stock  
is non-assessable and has a  
Par value of \$5.00 per Share

Stock in the Company will be sold to  
only those who subscribe for a telephone.  
C. W. THOMPSON, S. G. SCOTT,  
Sec. Treasurer.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the matter of the estate of Rhoda  
Norris, late of the township of Sidney,  
in the county of Hastings,  
Widow, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the  
Revised Statutes of Ontario, chapter 129, sec.  
8, that all creditors and others having claims  
against the estate of the deceased Rhoda Nor-  
ris, who died on or about the 10th day of Feb-  
ruary, A.D. 1907, who are creditors of the  
23rd day of MARCH, A.D. 1907, to send by  
post, prepaid, or deliver to Fred Vandervoort,  
of the township of Sidney, in the county of  
Hastings, the Executor of the last will and  
testament of deceased, at Stirling P.O., or his  
Solicitor, as hereunder, their claims and  
surroundings, addresses, and descriptions and  
the full particulars of their claim, statement  
of their accounts and the nature of security, if  
any, held by them verified by affidavit.

And further notice is given that after the  
last mentioned date the said Executor will  
proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased  
among the parties entitled thereto, having  
regard only to the claims of which he shall  
have notice; and the said Executor will not be  
liable for the said assets or any part thereof  
to any person or persons of whose claim notice  
shall not have been received by him at the  
time of such distribution.

G. G. TRASHNER,  
Solicitor for Executor.  
Dated, February 20th, 1907.

## Notice

All taxes for the township of Rawdon  
not paid on or before the FIRST DAY OF  
MARCH next will be placed in the balliff's  
hands for collection.  
JAMES McCOMB, Collector.  
Rawdon, Feb. 18, 1907.

## W. J. GRAHAM

for High Grade  
PIANOS and ORGANS  
Drop head and Cabinet  
Sewing Machines  
De Laval Cream Separators  
Carriages Lumber Wagons  
Cutting and Seeding Machinery  
Deering Harvesting Machinery  
Manure Spreaders  
Celebrated Percival and  
Wilkinson Plows  
Feed and Litter Carriers  
Hay Cans and Slings  
Steel Land Rollers  
Incubators and Brooders  
International Gasoline Engines  
Farm Bells  
Second-hand GASOLINE ENGINE, 12 h.p.  
SEED DRILL  
GRAIN BINDER  
Also HORSES for sale—roadsters and  
workers.

Also an eight-room Brick House, at pre-  
sent occupied by the subscriber, on Church  
street.  
W. J. GRAHAM,  
Opposite Mather's Store, Stirling

# Stirling's New Store.

The one price to all—all the time

We have just placed in stock several cases of New Spring  
Goods in

Prints and Muslins  
Valenciennes Laces and Insertions to Match  
Medallions in variety of Patterns

**Heavy Prints**  
100 pieces Print, light and dark  
shades, extra heavy, 32 in-  
ches wide, .....  
our price, 10 cts. per yd.

**Fine Prints**  
50 pieces fine Print, light and  
dark shades, 32 inches wide,  
our price, 12 1/2 cts.

**Fancy Muslin**  
25 pieces fancy Muslin, 26 to  
30 inches wide, .....  
at 10c, 12 1/2c, and up to  
25c. per yard

**Ginghams**  
85 pieces Gingham, in small  
checks, all shades, regular  
12 1/2 ct. quality, .....  
our price, 10 cts. per yd.

**New Belts**  
New Belts, all styles and col-  
ors. See the Silk Belts we  
show. Regular 35c. quality,  
our price, 25 cts. each

**Blouses**  
New Blouses, in white and  
fancy, from 50 cts. up. Ask  
to see these goods.

## CARPETS!

We have just placed these new goods in stock and will  
guarantee the lowest price for the quality offered anywhere.  
Having years of experience in the House Furnishing business  
we are prepared to give estimates on all kinds of furnishings.

Window Shades from 25 cents each, up  
Curtain Poles from 12 1/2 cents each, up  
Lace Curtains from 25 cents per pair, up  
Tapestry Curtains from \$2.75 per pair up  
Swing Poles, Table Covers, Mats, Rugs  
Oilcloths and Linoleums

## CARPETS!

# G. W. ANDERSON.

Produce taken in exchange for goods or for cash. PHONE No. 29.

# WE ARE FISHING

## For More Trade

And the bait we use is the BEST SHOE VALUE IN  
TOWN, at whatever price you want to pay.

All overdue Accounts must be settled at once.

## J. W. BROWN,

Butter and Eggs taken in exchange. RELIABLE BOOT & SHOE MERCHANT

# Invest! Invest! Invest!

Where? In Winnipeg and West, where for-  
tunes are made in a year.

You would be laughed at in Winnipeg if you were  
to admit that your savings were drawing only 3%. We will  
guarantee that we can make you at LEAST 20% on your  
money by allowing us to invest it in Winnipeg or other  
western Real Estate, and we can make your money earn  
many times that amount.

Our lists are made up of Business Properties, Ware-  
house Sites, Vacant Lots, in every locality, throughout  
the city, and Farm Lands, improved and unimproved  
throughout the West. Write us for information.

# RODGERS-BOULTON LAND COMPANY

608 MCINTYRE BLOCK, WINNIPEG, MAN.

## Spring Brook Medical,

## Surgical and X Ray

## Institute,

SPRING BROOK, ONT.

All Difficult and Chronic Diseases diag-  
nosed and special treatment given.

DISEASES OF LUNGS, THROAT, EAR AND  
NOSE. FITTING OF GLASSES.

Diseases of Women, Piles, Constipation,  
Prostatic Diseases of Men, Rectal Troubles,  
Catarrh of the Nose and all Acute and  
Chronic Diseases treated by the most ap-  
proved, scientific principles.

All in doubt of their ailments should  
have an X RAY Examination.

R. ELGIN TOWLE, M.B., M.D.C.M.,  
Physician-in-Charge.

Office Hours 12 to 3 p.m. Drug Store in  
connection.

## MEAT SHOP

Under new management. The business  
formerly carried on by A. H. SEELEY is  
now changed to

## SEELEY & HATTON

We are prepared to supply the public  
with first-class Meats of all kinds at low-  
est cash prices.

## Pianos and Organs

We now have in stock a full line of  
Heintzman Newcombe and  
New Scale Williams Pianos

which we are prepared to sell on any  
terms. Every instrument fully guar-  
anteed.

Also a full line of  
Gramophones and Records



The Perversity  
of Cynthia.

[illegible]

Once more Mrs. Hardcastle was greatly pleased. Her diplomacy was well rewarded with such success.

"You mark my words," she said, later on, "a heart as hard as Cynthia will be ready Rixon before he is out."

"Well, I hope she will choose as her part deeres," replied Mr. Hardcastle.

About a week later, husband and wife were walking in the garden when they heard Cynthia calling from the drawing-room window; Mr. and Mrs. Hardcastle rolled through the garden to the open stable doors to find Cynthia gazing at a photo of Sir Arthur, lately presented by that gentleman, which reposed on the mantelpiece. Mrs. Hardcastle shyly nudged her husband, and waited until on her face.

"I want to ask you about Sir Arthur," Cynthia murmured hesitatingly. "Do you like Mr. Murreved better of the two?"

"Oh, decidedly," replied Mrs. Hardcastle.

Cynthia did not reply, but continued gaze at Sir Arthur's portrait.

"Sir Arthur is awfully well off," she said in argumentative tones.

"But look at Mr. Evershed's talents," replied Mrs. Hardcastle. "I think brain matters are his forte."

"Supposing—mind I only say supposing—Cynthia said, "Supposing Mr. Evershed were to ask me to—be his wife, what should I reply?"

"If you care for him, say yes by all means," cried her mother, quickly, glancing in triumph at her husband.

"But what is in that?" asked Cynthia in a doubtful tone.

"Oh, certainly," answered Mrs. Hardcastle, as she again secretly nudged her husband.

"Well, I have said yes," was Cynthia's unexpected reply; "but Guy would not expect that you preferred him to Sir Arthur."

"I say so yourself. Come out, Guy."

With a cheerful grin on his face Guy Evershed emerged from behind a cluster of tall palms, and came forward with stretched hands.

"I am awfully glad to have heard what you have said," for I thought you preferred Sir Arthur Rixon to me. I must make a special day for my underpoker. I hope you will forgive me."

The picture was complete. Guy and Cynthia stood hand in hand, smiling together. Mr. Hardcastle's face wore a mischievous smile, whilst Mrs. Hardcastle gazed from one to the other with unqualified amazement. From the mantelpiece, Sir Arthur's portrait glared at the group with its fixed photographic expression, as seemingly changed from one of chagrin. Mr. Hardcastle was first to break the silence. He held his hand.

"Take care of her, my boy," he said, "I have a treasure in her."

Guy Evershed warmly shook the proffered hand.

"I know, sir," he replied. "I'll do all I can to make her happy."

"You must be careful to return to his wishes. He could not help feeling amused there was a queer lump in his throat, nevertheless, for Cynthia was his only daughter.

Mrs. Hardcastle had not yet spoken. Shock had rendered her powerless. Gazing first at Cynthia's blushing face and drooping eyes in which a soft light gleamed, and then at Guy Evershed as he smiled smilingly, happily triumphant.

"I did not know what to say, she had said herself. But memory brought to a day when she had chosen, and even happily, in direct opposition to her parents' unnecessary choice, and triumphed.

"I put her hand on Guy's shoulder, and became misty," and then she said and kissed the cheek of a mother.

"She folded Cynthia to her breast and was happy," she murmured in trepidation, and then she left the lovers over the old, old story that is ever told.

Mr. Hardcastle was in the library. He was consulting a dictionary.

"D-d-d-dip-dip-dip-dip," he murmured to himself. Then he read the definition, and grinned.

"This merely goes to prove that love means to no law, and that one cannot love or may where love is concerned. The only answer very well with the realistic, sound, and solid and but they cannot be applied to love, most mystic and irresponsible of all things.—Pearson's Weekly.

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**RIVAL FOR DE BEERS.**

**Diamond Field of Extraordinary Promise.**

consignment of extraordinarily fine diamonds has reached London from a mine in the Orange River Colony, the London Daily Express. Experts astonished and delighted at the purity and quality of the stones.

The mine in question is called the Victor Mine, and is situated at a point, a few miles across the border of the Orange River.

It is only a comparatively small property, less in extent than that of the famous mines comprising the De Beers group. But the stones are not only of a superior quality, equalling the best of the diamonds, and far better than anything hitherto found in South Africa, they are also very plentiful.

The De Beers average is roughly a carat of a carat per load. The average of the Victor Mine is roughly a carat per load, but a third of a carat per load. The Victor Mine is said to produce at per load an extraordinary and unequalled result.

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**AFTER ANOTHER THING.**

Mr. Blinks," said Mr. Pater, shaking his head and waving his hand, "I tell you that you are a man after my own heart."

"Oh, no, sir?" protested the blushing man.

"I'll answer your daughter for you."

the brevities of the world yearly conceive over four million tons of barley.

## LONG WAIT FOR A TIGER

**HUNTERS' EXPERIENCE IN AN INDIAN JUNGLE.**

**"Machan" for 12 Hours Until the Tiger Returned to His Quarry—**  
**Shot That Killed.**

On a stifling evening in May, writes the correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette, I was so unfortunately enclosed in a cane chair on the veranda of the Maharajah Forest Bungalow, in the North Division of Oudh. I had returned from forest inspection, and, feeling that I was enjoying a good rest, I was filled with the thought of the birds filled the air, and the thermometer registered 91 degrees. The sharp crack of the cheetah, or spotted deer, and then assailed my ears, the drum of the sambar, the howl of the jackal, and the harsh scream of the peacock. I was all concerned that a panther or a tiger was on the march. This time it was a tiger from one of the villages the inhabitants had deserted en masse, and every one was known to circumvent him had been tried, but to no purpose. One day he would kill a man or woman in the vicinity of a village, eat a portion of the next day or so kill again in the village fifteen or twenty miles away.

I had dropped off into an uneasy doze, when I was awakened by a loud call from the punkah coolie, telling that my kari, Fatch Khan, had arrived with news of the man eater. At a village five miles distant from a bungalow where, when driving his cattle back from their grazing ground along the forest road, had been sprung upon by a tiger and killed.

**DRAWN INTO THICK JUNGLE,**

At a spot a mile and a half from the bungalow. Another youth was with me at the time, who lost no time in relaying the news, and all the villagers, armed themselves with fright, were imploring him to get me to go at once to kill the beast. I ordered my maut to go up and told him, to his delight, to have the elephant ready at 3 a.m. I was, however, glistened with the prospect of a day's shikar and a customary Government reward for killing an eater of men. I then dismissed him, with the order to give me Kullu, the elephant, two pounds of "goor" (sugar as it comes from the cane), and prepared for my trip.

I took a double barreled 450 Henry Express and a twelve bore cartridge gun by the same maker, the cartridges for the gun being loaded with No. 6 powder and Meade's shells, charged with sulphate of antimony and potash, a most deadly poison, with which I had killed all previous tigers and panthers. Next I packed up my "machan," made of bamboo and string, for hanging on the branches of a tree in which to sit, and dug and waterproof to keep off the dew, which falls like rain at night, a flask of whiskey, a pipe and tobacco completed my impediments. At 10 a.m. I got on my elephant and started on my "Crows' dawn" was not far from the east had a tinge of orange and red, and all along the forest road, on either side, the jungle awakened with animal life. I gathered what news I could of the headman of the village, and lost a long palaver, which I will not repeat.

It was nearly 7 o'clock before it was dark. His own sun, blood red, was above the summit of the hills. I ordered the lambadar to bring with him a few men that he could depend on, also the lad who was with the tiger when the other was carried off. As we were starting the mother of the victim, an old woman, came forward, tearing her hair, beating her breast, and crying:

**HOWLING LIKE A FIEND**

at the top of her voice. Her lungs, I say, were in perfect order. I tried to know to pacify her, but in vain. I told her that I had come to avenge the son's death. On hearing this she yelled louder than ever. All direct conversation was useless, so I placed five rupees in her hand, telling her to go. She should be brought back the next day for burial. Her face brightened, and she, like the monkey, was disappointed like a rabbit around a haystack. After proceeding along the forest road for about a mile and a half the hunter pointed out the spot where the brute lay on his comrade. I tracked forward a few yards, where the tiger had bedded the dry, sandy bed of a small "naah," or water-course, and from a size of the footprints I saw that he was heavy and full grown. It was a very thick tiger, and the jungle consisted of trees not over 10 feet high, over very bad ground. I took my gun, loaded it with shell, and went carefully ahead, foot by foot, following the track of the tiger and his mate, but by this time the sun was getting very hot, and there was no air. I kept my elephant close in my rear, and there were about a dozen villagers who possessed everything in the way of luck, but I was pretty certain that even the smell of a tiger would scatter them in all directions. After an hour, I had but my shikari and myself to trust to. We had proceeded about half a mile, and my elephant, all the while was showing signs of nervousness, when we came across a victim's "purgance," which had been left on a knot of a fallen sap tree, from which the tiger had dragged the carcass for a few moments my shikari and I were a few feet from the carcass, and up to this spot been pressed down by the passage of the tiger and kill. I showed no sign of a drag, so we went to right and left, and at last the track again. To this day I cannot tell how the brute had got the body to this spot.

**WITHOUT LEAVING A MARK,**

the tiger, powerful as he is in dragging, striking and dragging, had

man, well skilled we came across the trail, almost hidden by the grass, and the tiger always utilizes to hide its kills. It intends returning, and if it fails to kill, it always finds a place of sight under a bush or other thick cover, to hide it from other beasts of prey. None of the natives would touch a corpse, and I had to handle it. I took my "machan" at twelve feet from the ground, in front of a small open space, and the figure of the tiger mounted Shan Kull, got into my resting place, with my gun and rifle, and I dismissed all hands, anxious to sit up there, but as I knew from experience at a severe cough, from funk, always declined the pleasure of his company, I befriended the creature of his opinion. Before my elephant left I instructed the mahout to return to the spot on the road where we turned into the angle, and not to come to me until I heard two blank cartridges fired in quick succession. All was as still as a grave, and it was the heat of the day I knew, the tiger, in the deadening sun, in some cool lair, in the shade, near water, of which there was a river within a mile at least, and time would not return to his kill till sundown. I lit my pipe, which in other circumstances would have been inadmissible, and for several hours I sat there, bound to duty by the monotony of the moon, had barely shown herself in the rear of the treetops when the sharp bark of a cheetah stag resounded in my ears and a moment later a herd of the spotted beauties dashed away in front of me, shy, at the dead body in their midday flight. The sound of the rush and the bare ceased when I heard at a distance, in the same direction, the unmistakable purring of a tiger. There came a little later, and once only.

A TERRIFIC ROAR,

and in this the solitude of a dense jungle, where the silence of the grave prevails, is of indescribable effect. Even the two frogs ceased their monotonous humming. In a few minutes a stealthy and greeted my ears, and the purring was so incessant he was coming up right behind me.

I got my gun in position, covering the cocked both hammers, and waited motionless until he showed himself at his gruesome banquet. On and on he came, so close that I could smell his fetid breath. He was now within twelve feet of me, and immediately under my "machan." Here he paused for several minutes, evidently feeling that was not right. At last hunger overcame suspicion, and he walked about in a leisurely way, looking back at the elephant for a bit, then laid down on his side of the kill and began to eat. The tiger's rays fell brightly on his sleek skin, so, picking out the spot just behind the shoulder, I pressed the trigger, and then heard the welcome thud of shell.

Almost at the instant there followed still more musical roar of the brute his death throes. Then all was still, and to make sure I gave him the left barrel. I then fired two blank cartridges in quick succession—the signal to the mahout to bring the elephant.

At his arrival with about fifty yards, one would have thought them wild, for, directly they saw the dead man enter their yelling and shouting was deafening, and the abuse they heaped on the tiger's female relatives was disgusting. I got down from my chair, stiff and tired, for it was now nearly 10 p.m., and I had been in the "machan" for more than twelve hours. The tiger was a beauty, full grown, and finely marked and well furred, and measured 9 feet 10½ inches, and was very heavy, his forelegs being particularly massive. Both his shells and antlers just behind the shoulder, and on a part, had exploded and torn the heart, liver, and lungs to shreds, but not injured the skin a bit. His death must have been instantaneous. I the carcass put on the elephant and the houdan, and started for my galow, which I reached at midnight, for supper, a whisky and soda and a cigar, and turned in, feeling that I had had a good day's work.

SOON ANSWERED.

and there is another thing," roared the labor agitator, who was urging his iron-brothered comrades to strike for "What?" "What?" the trigger was not easily recalled to some of his comrade to him which his master would have dared to have inflicted upon one not in his employ? Ah! in your corner I see a great, stalwart man piping—actually weeping. I have undoubtedly struck a tender chord. I am sure," with cheeks once so sorrowing broiled will tell me a trouble.

"A tall man in the corner asks, apologize for my emotion," he said; the worthy speaker's words are so that they struck me all of a heap," and what was the act," said the orator, "that your employer committed upon me," with whom could I dare to do done upon one not in his employ? breathless silence they waited for answer.

"I called me into the office and I was given five cents an hour!" the tall man sat down, and the orator fell on to another of the wrongs of

kept going, the wheels of a watch at 3,588½ miles in a year.

raw beef, 100lb. are equal to 67lb. or 75lb. boiled.

ings: "I wonder what makes my so weak?" Diggs: "Not know, it's because they are in a weak

n in the Corner of the Car: "Well (ingly), sir." Men in the Other Corner: "Yes; but you have omitted marking the strange fact that the rain pouring down instead of going up as

"That fellow Smithers who's next door to me has more contented cheek than any man I ever met."

ings: "How's that?" Atkins: "Why, come today he came out with a smile."

ings: "Well, where does the come from?" Atkins: "Why, it was that he wanted to shoot."

**MADSTONES.**  
Of Some Use Because Absorbent Glass

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## TUNNEL UNDER CHANNEL

**PRACTICABLE SCHEMES HAVE BEEN PROPOSED.**

Plans to Connect England and France  
Date Four Hundred Years  
Back.

It is now more than a century since the problem of bridging over or burrowing under the English Channel was first seriously attacked by engineers; and many and marvellous are the schemes which have since been devised. In 1802 M. Bruniere, a great French Engineer, conceived a wonderful idea of a submarine road, through which the mails could be sent from England to France. The tunnel was to be lighted by oil lamps and to be ventilated by a series of shafts rising high above the surface of the water. But the scheme was hopelessly impracticable, apart from the danger from one of these shafts being destroyed by the waves, a set of closely placed shafts drawn across the Channel would prove a serious obstacle and menace to navigation.

**BRIDGE SCHEMES.**

Equally impossible were the bridges originally much later, a model of one of which was to be seen at the Paris Exhibition seventeen years ago. This bridge, which was to link Folkestone with Cape Breton, was to be supported by 120 piers, to weigh 1,000,000 tons, to cost £34,000,000, and to take 10 years to construct. But, apart from the enormous cost of this structure, which alone it to financial failure, its piers, which would have involved so much danger and difficulty to vessels passing and the Channel, constituted an insuperable objection to the scheme.

**TUBE RAILWAY.**

Another project, doomed to failure, is that of two English engineers, who proposed to construct a tube railway on the bed of the Channel between Dover and Calais. The tube, which was to be 10 feet in diameter, 4 inches thick, was to be laid in 10-foot lengths secured to the bottom by screw-piles; and through this submerged tunnel the trains were to be compelled by pressure of water. More ambitious, but equally impracticable, was the plan of M. Castanier, a French engineer, who proposed to lay 10 parallel tubes on the sea-bed, connected at intervals by transverse tubes, and with a lateral halfway across on the same Bank.

Among many other visionary projects is one of a submerged bridge, on which a platform carrying a train was to run across the Channel; and another for a submarine boat to run on rails laid on the sea-bottom.

**PRESENT SCHEME.**

Thirty-one years ago the present English Tunnel scheme came into being with the formation of the "Societe Francaise du Tunnel Sous-marin"; and, with the approval of both the English and French Governments, work was commenced on both sides of the Channel. In France a capital of £80,000 was subscribed; a vertical shaft was sunk near the village of Sangatte, about half-a-dozen miles from Calais, and the tunnel was commenced, which was successfully driven about a mile under the sea. On the English side a beginning was made with three separate tunnels—one of half a mile from Alabote's Cliff, another from Dover side of Shakespeare's Cliff, and the third and longest, a 7-foot tunnel extending for 2,015 yards, from a shaft, 15 feet deep, sunk near the west end of Shakespeare's Cliff.

Unfortunately, the project excited alarm in the military authorities, who feared invasion. A joint committee of House of Parliament was appointed to consider the scheme, and when the prospect of success was assured the work was stopped.

**DED OF THE SEA.**

That the scheme is feasible is beyond doubt. Beneath the Channel, from shore to shore, there extends a bed of "grey chalk," consisting of chalk and clay, and impervious to water; and through bed, at a distance never less than 100 feet below the water, a perfectly safe dry tunnel can be driven at an estimated cost of £4,000,000. The proposition before Parliament is to construct three tunnels, 60 feet apart, with the third draining off the water from the other two. These tunnels will be little more than twenty miles long, and when completed, as now seems probable, it will be possible to cross the French soil from Dover within an hour, and without any of the physical qualms which now afflict all Channel travellers.

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**TOO HIGH FOR HIM.**

"There is nothing," he said, as he held the beautiful girl in his strong embrace, "I would not dare for you. There is danger that I may not willingly face for your dear sake. No deed would be so hazardous for me to undertake, without a strong urge on me. When I look into your eyes, Genevieve, my heart leaps to become the heart of a lion. My being is thrilled. It seems to me and with the spirit of a knight of old, I would do my best to understand how I might be able to meet in the lists long ago, were willing to risk their lives for the colors of those they loved with their shields and their spears. I too, could do it. Oh! if I might but have the opportunity to prove—"

"I hear papa," she interrupted. "I hear papa say that you are not a better man than him. I am to meet him in the hall and him in, and you can—"

"No!" he hoarsely whispered, "heaven's sake don't do that! I'll feel from this window to the pavement. When I meet him, the matter to me is that I want to do it somewhere on the ground-floor."

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**MOVING THE STATEMENT.**

"Men say that—"

"Jinks and Mrs. Jinks." "Whatever I know that is a libel."

"Jinks—"It was going to say that and that women all talked at



# SCORES PERISH IN WRECK

## Steamer With 180 Passengers and Crew Driven Ashore.

A despatch from London says: The worst disaster for many years in the history of the busy cross-channel traffic between England and the continent occurred during a violent gale shortly before 6 on Friday morning, when the Rotterdam mail steamer, Berlin, from Harwich to Hook of Holland, having safely weathered the hurricane, was suddenly wrecked as she was entering port. The terrible seas broke up the steamer with such awful suddenness that all efforts to save life appear to have been utterly hopeless.

No cause yet has been assigned for the terrible accident, and it probably will never be known how the steamer came to miss the channel, which, although three hundred yards wide and well buoyed and lighted, is always difficult of access in rough weather. It is conjectured that some derangement of the engines or steering gear may have rendered the vessel uncontrollable. Captain Precious of the Berlin had a good record of fourteen years' service. The list of passengers on the fated steamer was long, and all the names of those who were on board have not yet been learned.

**GERMAN OPERA SINGERS LOST.**  
The Berlin carried passengers and crew to the number of 141. Among these were fifteen members of the German Opera Company, who had just concluded their season at Covent Garden. The manager of the Covent Garden confirmed the statement that nineteen members of the German Opera Company left on Thursday night on the steamer Berlin. "So far as we know," he said, "these did not include any of the star artists, as the party was made up of members of the chorus returning to their homes. They made arrangements directly with the railway company, so that we are not yet able to get an exact list of the names. The disaster has aroused the most intense alarm among the other members of the company."

No. 2 red, 83½c f.o.b. float; No. 1 northern, 91½c f.o.b. float; No. 2 hard winter, 87c f.o.b. float.

### CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—Trade at the Western Market was active on fairly free deliveries.

Choice exporters' cattle were quoted at \$7 to \$8.40; fair to medium, \$4.50 to \$5.90 per cwt. Some animals were sold under the appellation of exporters' cattle at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per cwt, but these could not more accurately be described as short-keepers.

Choice butchers', \$4.65 to \$4.80; good butchers', \$4.40 to \$4.60; heavy animals, medium quality, \$4.25 to \$4.50; fat cows, \$3.50 to \$4; common cows, mixed, \$1.50 to \$3.25; canners, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.

Stockers, choice, \$3 to \$3.25; common, mixed, \$2 to \$2.25; bulls, \$1.50 to \$2; feeders, \$3.30 to \$3.80; short-keepers, \$3.80 to \$4.25 per cwt.

Lambs, spring-fed, \$6 to \$7; lambs, common, \$4.50 to \$5.50; export ewes, \$4.50 to \$5.25; export bucks, \$3.50 to \$4.50; culs, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.

Hogs were quoted as easy at \$6.70 for select, and \$6.45 for lights and fats.

### ONTARIO'S DEATH RATE.

Deaths from Tuberculosis Numbered 175 During January.

A despatch from Toronto says: The Provincial Board of Health has received monthly returns for January from 756 division registers. These reports represent a population of 2,000,022, and show for the first month of the year 2,333 deaths. This makes the death rate 14.7 per 1,000.

The returns in connection with contagious diseases show that smallpox has been rather prevalent in western Ontario, but the number of cases reported is 37 less than for the same month last year. Of the 104 cases reported 29 were at Oil Springs, in Lambton County. That county had 39 cases, and Essex had 13 cases. In Toronto nine cases were reported.

Tuberculosis again heads the list of contagious diseases causing death. The number of deaths in January due to tuberculosis is 175, which is 62 more than from all other infectious diseases combined, and ten more than last year.

Cases of contagious diseases, and deaths during the month are as follows:

Disease.	Cases.	Deaths.
Smallpox	201	3
Scarlet fever	188	32
Diphtheria	185	5
Measles	133	18
Whooping cough	146	55
Typhoid fever	182	175
Tuberculosis	1,269	288

### MRS. PERKINS IS CHEERFUL.

Body of Mr. Perkins, Sen., May be Exhumed This Week.

A despatch from Cayuga says: Mrs. Perkins continues much more cheerful, and is seemingly satisfied that her case rests in good hands. She spends her time in writing, but makes no mention of the case. But despite her tranquillity, the Crown case is strengthening instead of weakening. It is rumored that the body of Henry Perkins' father will be exhumed this week. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, senior, resided on their farm in North Cayuga, near Canfield, Henry Perkins and wife living with them. Mrs. Perkins, senior, died rather suddenly some few years ago, and it is nearly two years since her husband died, after having been troubled with supposed cancer, his death the last being also somewhat sudden. The farm then passed into the hands of his son, the late Henry Perkins. Should the body be exhumed and death found to have resulted from anything but natural causes the case will become much darker.

### SPENT ALL WINTER IN MARSH.

Elderly Greek Captured in Sandwich South-Lived on Scraps.

A despatch from Sandwich, Ont., says: About five months ago George Lavisse, a Greek, 50 years old, came here looking for work. On account of his imperfect knowledge of English or French, he was unable to get employment, and disappeared. Several times during the winter he was seen by the border of the Grand Marais, a large tract of brush and bog in Sandwich South, have seen fires in the marsh at night. Search was unsuccessful until Saturday, when Chief of Police Masters and a posse of farmers, after a long hunt, found Lavisse. He had collected the winter over. Several cans and lived on what scraps of food he could pick up. He appears to have suffered but little.

### \$800,000 FIRE AT THE FALLS.

Plant of Acker Process Company Destroyed—Electrician Killed.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, N.Y., says: The plant of the Acker Process Co. was destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon. Henry S. Fairchild, an electrician, was caught under a falling wall and killed. Buffalo firemen came down with two engines, but the fire was out when they reached here. Several cables from the power-houses were torn down by falling walls. The loss is \$800,000. The company manufactured bleaching powder, caustic soda, tin oxide and other products.

### "BLIND PIGS" IN COBALT.

Twenty-two Places Raided by Provincial Officials.

A despatch from Toronto says: Fines to the amount of \$1150 have been collected, according to Chief License Officer Saunders, as a result of prosecutions for breaches of the liquor law in Cobalt. Provincial Officer Morrison raided twenty-two "blind pigs" and seized large quantities of all varieties of intoxicating liquors.

Mackenzie & Mann are reported to have purchased the Quebec & Lake St. John Railway.

### LIEUT.-GOV. SNOWBALL DROPS DEAD

Sudden Death of His Majesty's Representative at Fredericton, N. B.

A despatch from Fredericton, N. B., says: Hon. Jabez Huntington Snowball, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, dropped dead on Sunday evening on Queen street, while on his way to attend service in the cathedral. Sunday morning he arose at the usual hour, partook of breakfast, and attended service at the Methodist Church. He had dinner at the usual hour, and spent the greater part of the afternoon quietly in his study. He seemed to be in his usual health, and made no complaint to those who were in conversation with him. He left for church at 6.45 and had walked less than a block and a half from the hotel, when he remarked to Mr. Mackenzie that he was not feeling very well. "When I start out," he said, "I immediately started to return to his arm. Mr. Mackenzie took him by the side of the road, and he collapsed. Help soon came, and the body was carried to his room in the hotel, where Drs. Althoff and McGrath were quickly in attendance, but there was no sign of life. The doctors said heart disease caused death.

### DEPORT INSANE SETTLERS.

Arrangements made to Send Back Undesirable Immigrants.

A despatch from Toronto says: Arrangements have been made by Mr. Armstrong, Provincial Inspector of Asylums, through the Dominion Immigration Department, for the deportation of five settlers who have since their arrival in Canada, developed insanity. All are originally from Great Britain. One of them, who is at present confined in Toronto Asylum, will be sent back to the Old Country in a few days. Another will be removed from Hamilton on Saturday. Several more persons of the same type will leave Canada a week from Saturday. A considerable number of similar cases of colonists who have shown signs of mental weakness will be similarly dealt with shortly. During the last month 18 lunatics, who came shortly before into the country, have been deported.

### KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE.

Young Electrician's Sad End in Toronto to Power House.

A despatch from Toronto says: William Powell, 24 years old, who had been employed by the Toronto Electric Light Company, was electrocuted about 5.30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon at one of the Niagara power stations in the substation at Toronto street. Powell was up on a ladder engaged in repairing wire on the upper part of the lower switchboard when by some means he lost his balance and fell backward across the terminals of a switch below him. Fred B. Marlin, foreman in the station, was behind the board at the time and heard Powell fall. When he found him his pulse was scarcely stirring. Dr. Walter P. Thomson of Carlton street was summoned, and Powell was conveyed to St. Michael's Hospital in the ambulance, but he was dead when the ambulance arrived there. Powell was unmarried and had no relatives in Canada.

### LAKE OF OIL ENTERED.

A Wonderful Strike Reported in Romney Township.

A despatch from Chatham says: On Saturday morning, when boring at a depth of 230 feet on a well on the north-west corner of lot 21, concession 4, Romney township, the tools disappeared and a gush of oil overflowed the field for acres. Thousands of barrels of oil were lost. Experts say an oil lake has been entered, and that the showing is big in the field yet. The well will probably run hundreds of barrels of oil. The well has been thought to be a duster and was down further than shallow oil is usually found.

### JUMPED FROM A WINDOW.

Woman's Suicide at Victoria Hospital, London.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Mrs. Bessie Dudge, wife of Motorman George Dudge, an employee of the London Street Railway Company, jumped from a third-storey window of the Victoria Hospital on Friday evening and was killed. Dr. Ferguson says that Mrs. Dudge was the victim of temporary insanity, induced by her illness. She cunningly induced the nurse to raise the window on pretence of securing air. Immediately her back was turned she jumped through. Her husband entered the room while the nurse was downstairs. Finding the room empty he immediately called the nurse, who discovered the body outside.

### SOMETHING FOR SHAREHOLDERS.

Semi-Official Statement on Ontario Bank Affairs.

A despatch from Montreal says: A semi-official statement in regard to the Ontario Bank's affairs says: "It is understood that there will be a considerable percentage left for the shareholders of the Ontario Bank when the affairs of that institution are finally liquidated. So far no estimate can be reached of what will really be saved, but it can be stated pretty authoritatively that there will be something left after the depositors and other claims are paid in full."

### WHEAT FROM THE KLONDIKE.

Sample of No. 1 Hard Grown Near the City of Dawson.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Dr. Thompson on Friday morning showed the Commons Committee on Agriculture a sample of No. 1 hard wheat, which was grown on the Yukon River, near Dawson, at a place called Minlo. He says that there is a considerable area of country there on which wheat can be grown.

# THEY ATE POISONED GRAIN

## One Result of the Terrible Famine in Russia.

A despatch from Kazan, Russia, says: A correspondent of the Associated Press has returned here after a twenty-five days' trip through Kazan, Samara and Ufa, three sample provinces of the twenty affected by famine. The correspondent investigated the situation in all directions, travelling 500 miles by sleigh where the districts remote from the railways reports sporadic cases of scurvy in all three provinces. Aside from the distribution of Government rations, the Red Cross and local municipal organizations are feeding in Ufa 210,000 persons, in Kazan 230,000, and in Samara 100,000. A trip by sleigh into the northern part of Kazan province took the correspondent into one of the worst sections of the famine region. In the hamlet of

Alunzhipek, many persons suffering from ergotism were found in seventy-four out of seventy-eight houses visited. The symptoms of this malady are a burning sensation in the liver, followed by chills, spasms and a permanent contraction of the limbs, and finally blindness and decay. A total of one-fourth of the population has been permanently disabled. Almost every house visited presented variations of this disease.

Four-fifths of the cattle in this district have been killed by the same poison, and fully five per cent. of the crop is ergot. The peasants are fully aware of the unwholesomeness of the grain, but they have no alternative and must eat what they can get. Thousands of cases of ergotism occurred before the Government was stirred to action. The malady is now diminishing.

### TWO MEN KILLED.

Dynamite Explosion on the Transcontinental North of Dryden.

A despatch from Wabigoon says: The bodies of two men were brought into Dryden on Thursday. They were killed by a premature explosion of dynamite on the Transcontinental Railway construction twenty miles north of Dryden. Their names were Eric Jensen, a Swede, aged 32 years, and Michael Conan, aged 27 years. The coroner held an investigation, and decided an inquest was not necessary.

### BOER RAIDERS CONDEMNED.

Ferreira and Four Followers Sentenced to Death.

A despatch from Kimberly says: Ferreira, the leader of the raid from German Southwest Africa in November last, and four of his followers, were on Wednesday sentenced to death. The jury refused to credit the statement of Ferreira that a German captain named Siebert instructed him to cross the border and stir up sedition in Cape Colony.

### ACTED IN SELF-DEFENCE.

Buckingham Manslaughter Charges Dismissed.

A despatch from Hull, Que., says: Judge St. Julien, at the conclusion of the argument of counsel in the Buckingham riot trial on Saturday morning, dismissed the case against Alexander MacLaren, Chief Constable Kiernan and Bailiff Cummings, charged with manslaughter. The Judge declared that the evidence showed the accused had simply acted in self-defence. They were accordingly discharged.

### TRIPLETS IN KENT.

Kent Bridge Woman Presents Husband with Two Boys and a Girl.

A despatch from Thamesville says: A very unusual event occurred at Kent Bridge on Saturday night, when Mrs. W. J. Robinson gave birth to triplets, two boys and one girl. They are all living and doing well.

### A WINNIPEG SUICIDE.

John L. Strus, Real Estate Dealer, Shoots Himself at Strathcona Hotel.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: John L. Strus, real estate dealer, committed suicide in the Strathcona Hotel on Friday evening by shooting. Social and financial troubles are believed to be the cause.

### CHAMBERLAIN A WRECK.

He Is Wheeled About the Grounds in an Invalid Chair.

A despatch from London says: An interesting authoritative statement concerning the health of Joseph Chamberlain was published on Wednesday. It does not confirm the worst rumors, but it shows that Mr. Chamberlain is completely broken physically, although he is mentally alert. He passes most of his time indoors at Highbury, his Birmingham residence, but when the weather is fine he drives in a carriage in the grounds of his estate, or on unfrequented roads in the vicinity. He seeks to avoid the public gaze. He never stays outside the house more than forty-five minutes at a time. He sometimes spends considerable time in his orchid houses, as the temperature in those buildings suits him, or he will be wheeled in an invalid chair about the grounds. He occasionally takes a short walk, supported by his stout stick and the arm of his wife, but the invalid chair always is at hand.

### FROST WIPES OUT FAMILY.

A Farmer, His Wife and Three Children the Victims.

A despatch from Eslewan, Saskatchewan, says: A man named David Trapper, arrived here on Wednesday night with the startling information that a farmer named Radcliffe, with his wife and three children had been frozen to death. Radcliffe was a homesteader, who came here for coal about a fortnight ago. A neighbor named MacIntyre called at Radcliffe's during his absence and found his wife and children frozen solid and no fuel or food in the house. Further search also found Radcliffe and his team of oxen frozen to death on the ice in a neighboring creek, with his sleigh loaded with coal and provisions. It is thought that he had lost his way in the storm and perished. Radcliffe arrived from England last May and went homesteading in June. Sgt. Left, of the Mounted Police, confirms the report by wire, adding that the bodies were brought into Macoun on Wednesday night.

### FIVE FIREMEN INJURED.

Serious Fire at a Planing Mill in London.

A despatch from London, Ont., says: Firemen Thos. Aitken, A. Davis, A. Scott, E. Dean and J. Riddell were seriously injured in a fire which gutted the Grand Trunk planing mill at the corner of Adelaide and Simcoe Streets on Saturday night. Firemen Aitken, Davis and Scott are in Victoria Hospital, and are reported to be improving. Fireman Aitken is the worst injured, having a broken rib and severe injuries to his back and head. Davis and Scott have internal injuries, and Riddell and Dean are injured about the head. The loss will amount to \$30,000, with no insurance.

### THREE BURNED TO DEATH.

Fire Destroys an Indian Tepee at Middlechurch, Manitoba.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: As the result of a drunken debauch, Baptiste Prince, Rosie Smith and George Kissaw were burned to death in an Indian tepee about a mile west of the Indian Industrial School at Middlechurch on Sunday morning. The three victims are Indians from the Brokenhead reserve, and were cremated as they lay slumped from the effects of liquor in a miserable tepee constructed of bark, saplings and mud.

### BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES.

Ten Million Dollars Less Than Last Year.

A despatch from London says: An official memorandum issued on Friday announced that army estimates for 1917-18 for the expenditure during 1917-18 of \$138,800,000, a reduction of about \$10,000,000 from last year.

### MORE DOUKHOBORS COMING.

Result of Peter Verigin's Visit to Russia—Railway Laborers.

A despatch from Montreal says: Peter Verigin is back in Montreal after a trip of some months to Russia, where he was visiting the Doukhoubores settlements, and was also engaged in trying to get men for construction work on the Grand Trunk Pacific. He was successful in obtaining permission from the Russian authorities to bring them out. He stated in an interview that about a thousand more Doukhoubores would come out in the spring, and he also was sure of being able to get several thousand men for the Grand Trunk Pacific.

# LEADING MARKETS

## BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—Wheat—Ontario—No. 2 white winter, 71c to 71½c; No. 2 red, 71c to 72c; No. 2 mixed, 70½c to 71c.

Manitoba—No. 1 hard, 86c; No. 1 northern, 85½c to 86c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 39½c to 40c; Toronto; No. 2 mixed, 38½c to 39c.

Peas—No. 3 yellow, American, 52c to 52½c; Toronto; fine and best, Ontario, 41c to 45c, basis Chatham freights.

Buckwheat—55c to 56c, ex-store.

Rye—Nominally 55c to 66c.

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Inferior, frozen stock . . . . . 8c to 10c

Foxed . . . . . 8c to 10c

Ducks . . . . . 10c to 11c

Geese . . . . . 9c to 11c

Turkeys . . . . . 11c to 12c

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The train was due in Pittsburg at 2 o'clock Saturday morning. From reports sent here the entire train is destroyed and all on board are killed or injured.

A relief train carrying physicians left here at 1 o'clock Saturday morning and other trains will be sent as soon as possible to the scene of the accident.

A despatch from Philadelphia, Pa., says: At 6.30 on Saturday morning the Pennsylvania railway officials here said that the wrecked train was the Pennsylvania special, the 18-hour train between New York and Chicago. The wreck, the officials said, occurred about 32 miles west of Altoona and half a mile from any telegraph office.

The train which left Newark at 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon was composed of four Pullman sleepers. While the first reports received here was the effect that the train went down an embankment into Conemaugh River, later reports, it is said, are that it was derailed.



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Over one hundred new towns are to be founded between Winnipeg and Edmonton this year, by the Grand Trunk Pacific alone, to say nothing of those that will spring up on the extensions of the other roads. And all the people who are induced by the Transcontinental to make their homes in Canada must of necessity become contributors to the national revenue. A very large portion of the cost of constructing the railway will thus be recouped to the national treasury within a few years.

### In Crimson Gulch.

"What became of that man you arrested as a horse thief?"  
"Lynched," answered Plute Peto.  
"I suppose that ends the matter."  
"No. Some of the boys had their doubts, so we're going to call some witnesses an' get evidence that he really were the guilty party."

### Presence of Mind.

It is a mistake to think that it is only the Englishman who keeps his head in a crisis. When a passenger steambot suddenly struck a rock off Hongkong the other day, a number of Chinese on board promptly started looting the passengers' trunks.—Punch.

### The Attraction.

Nell—Isn't she a peculiar girl? She wouldn't look at him when he was rich, but now, after he's lost all his money, she accepts him. Belle—Well, you know how crazy every woman is to get anything that's reduced!

It takes two to make a marriage, but only one to mar one.—Smart Set.

Bear the best humbly and the worst indignity.—Homer.

## TREED AND NETTED.

The Way Hunter Capture the Orang Outang Alive.

Trapping the smaller members of the monkey family is a comparatively easy matter, but the hunter who wishes to secure live specimens of the orang outang cannot have recourse to the usual methods and has to employ a laborious process. The process is based upon the fact that the orangs have a liking for certain trees and frequent these to the exclusion of other nearby growths. They seem to regard them as a sanctuary and flee to them in time of danger. Ascertaining a tree particularly favored, the hunter first drives his quarry to its branches; then while his hunters keep up a din for the purpose of preventing an attempt at escape the natives are set to work to chop at the trees within a radius of fifty feet all about the simian fortress. No trunk is cut completely through, but is left with just enough fiber to hold the tree in position. This work is quickly accomplished with the large corps of servants, and at a signal one of the trees is toppled over. The chopping has been so done that the falling tree carries with it its neighbor, and in the twinkling of an eye the trees within a radius of fifty feet from the marked tree lie upon the ground, leaving the orang outangs with no opportunity for getting away through their leafy avenues of escape. The remainder of the process simply consists of chopping down the tree of refuge and throwing nets over the escaping orangs, in which they soon become entangled in their efforts to throw off the incumbrance.

## TRICKS IN ARITHMETIC.

Subtract 45 From 45 and Have 45 as a Remainder.

If you were to subtract 45 from 45 and have 45 as a remainder, you would be likely to say that the proposition is either a "catch" or an impossibility. But here it is, set down in plain figures, and you will find that it is neither one nor the other:

9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
8 6 4 1 9 7 5 3 2

Here, you see, are the nine digits from 9 to 1 written down in that order, and below them are the same digits from left to right, and you will see that each line makes 45, and you will find that the remainder—the third line—adds up 45.

Another little exercise is to set down the following fifteen figures and then see if you can use six of them in such a way as to make a total of 21:

1 1 1  
3 3 3  
5 5 5  
7 7 7  
9 9 9

One way of doing it is to take the two 7s, one 5 and one 1, which make four figures, footing up 20, and then to use two other figures as a fraction to represent one. For example, 7 plus 7 plus 5 plus 1 plus 3-3 equals 21.

## The Books of Ancient Rome.

In the time of Augustus Caesar books in the form of papyrus rolls, copied by overworked and underpaid slaves from the authors' original manuscript, were abundant and astonishingly cheap. Horace hints in one of his epistles that his works were being pirated and sold so cheap that they were getting into the hands of the rabble and becoming schoolbooks. Martial, in one of his epigrams, says that a copy of his Thirteenth book may be bought for 4 nummi (about 15 cents), and that if Tryphon, the bookseller, should sell it at 2 nummi he would still get a profit. Both Horace and Martial convey the idea that their publishers occasionally put out larger editions than could be sold. In the matter of editions de luxe, Martial writes that a volume of his epigrams "polished with purple stone and incased in purple may be bought at Atræus' for 5 denarii" (about 80 cents).

## His Tribute to Temperance.

The temperance reformer was justly proud of having converted the biggest drunkard in the little Scotch town and induced him—he was the local gravedigger—to get up on the platform and testify. This is how he did it: "My friends," he said, "I never thought to stand upon this platform with the proverb on one side of me and the tomb on the other side of me. I never thought to tell you that for a whole month I haven't touched a drop of anything. I've saved enough to buy me a brass coffin w' brass handles and brass nails—and if I'm a teetotaler for another month I shall be wantin' it!"

## Parrot Pie.

Parrot pie is one of the delicacies over which visitors to Australia rave. As the fruit season opens the parrots and parakeets come by thousands, like locusts, and, settling on the trees, feed upon the fruit until nothing but the stones is left behind. They are shot while gorging themselves. The flesh, though very dark, is said to be delicious in flavor and almost to taste of cherries, peaches and plums on which the birds have fed. They are said to be more succulent than pigeons and altogether superior to the palate.

## Egocen of Authors.

"Very few literary men get rich." "Perhaps it's just as well they don't," answered Miss Cayenne. "If a literary man got rich enough to find libraries he wouldn't permit people to read any but his own books."

## Widely Read.

"Did any one ever read your writings?" asked the artist. "Certainly!" responded the haughty poet. "Every editor in the country has read them."

## THE EDIFYING SOLDIER.

Sketch of One of the Great German Toy Warehouses.

The Troedel market is on a little island in the heart of the old town of Nuremberg. Along the north branch of the river is an old, low, walled house with a little danking doorway. When you have got so far you are met by a little old man—a rusty little man who looks as though he were made of metal—who leads you into the great mysterious warehouse of toys.

Round all the walls they are ranged—guns, cannons, motors, steamships, trumpets, soldiers, and everywhere the soldiers. How many millions of metal soldiers have marched away from the Troedel market not even the rusty old man could tell you—mighty articles of pewter and tin.

Hundreds of regiments, of battalions, of divisions, are drawn up on the shelves, waiting for the day when they shall be sent out into battle. And with a kind of pride the rusty old man says, "They are edifying soldiers."

That is the German way of putting it. What it means is that each army illustrates a battle or a campaign—the war of Troy, the campaigns of Alexander, the exploits of Cœur de Lion, the war of thirty years, the siege of Orleans, the victories of Napoleon, the battles of 1870 and (the one I liked best) that desperate battle in which a tiny tin hero with gleaming teeth rough rode it up San Juan hill. In a word, the edifying soldiers trace history, geography, strategy—Vance Thompson in Everybody's.

## EATING IN PUBLIC.

The Varied Sorrows of the Critical Man Who Dines Out.

What chance has the diner out of being completely happy? The mere actions of eating and drinking are neither pretty nor conducive to showing people at their best. It is really a most uncouth sight to see a man or a woman stoking food. The necessity of being polite at the same time makes it uncomfortable as well. No sooner have you got into conversation with a pleasant woman than the soup in your mustache stops all inspiration. She despises you for your play with your napkin, and your mustache is out of shape. And who can feel that the evening is going to be what he hoped when he realizes that his shirt front is smeared with some relic of the meal?

Indeed, dinner parties are really a struggle between eating and talking, a struggle which does not always end, as do most things, in the survival of the fittest. As one can't speak with one's mouth full and first hunger must be appeased, conversation and eating go on rather as a game, the one person whipping up some food while the other is speaking and then in his turn speaking in order to enable his partner to get some nourishment. To talk or to eat might be a sensible question at the beginning of dinner, but it is not one likely to be asked. One is seldom sure which is least worth sacrificing, the food or the conversation. How much simpler it would be if we fed apart and indulged in conversation afterward.—Macmillan's.

## Shingling a House.

And I looked and beheld seven carpenters shingling a house. They were hauling up bundles of shingles that had been lying in the rain for two days and nailing them on one by one. In a few days the shingling will be done. Then the painter will come along with his ladders and brushes and stains, and \$300 will be spent by the owner of the cottage to have it thoroughly dabbled. And in a little while the sun will shine, and all the shingles will buckle, some up, some down, until the cottage will resemble a frizzled chicken. And there will be leaks and cursings and lamentations. Now, brethren, why not be sensible in these small matters? Painters are not needed at all in a case of this kind. Keep your shingles dry; buy a few barrels of stain; soak the shingles in the stain and throw them on the grass to dry; then nail them to the eaves and boards. They will never buckle, they will never leak, and you have saved \$300.

## Forest Air.

There is a general impression that the humidity of the air is greater in the woods than in the open fields. This is contradicted, however, by the result of observations made in Germany. It was found there that the humidity, both relative and absolute, was slightly greater in the open than in the woods, and this was true equally in the morning and in the afternoon. As to the temperature of the air among the trees, it was a trifle higher than in the open in the morning and in a more marked degree in the afternoon.

## A Comparison.

Thomas Sheridan, the father of Lady Dufferin, once displeased his father, who, remonstrating with him, exclaimed, "Why, Tom, my father would never have permitted me to do such a thing!" "Sir," said his son in a tone of the greatest indignation, "do you presume to compare your father to my father?"

## Dickens' Interest in Inns.

"Pickwick" is the very Odyssey of inns and travel, for the youthful Dickens had traversed England as a reporter, and in "Pickwick" alone no fewer than fifty-five inns, taverns, etc., in London and the provinces are mentioned and often described at length.—London Chronicle.

## The Change She Wanted.

Stella—Do you advocate changes in spelling? Bella—Only Miss to Mrs.—Tit-Bits.

## THE BOMBMAKER.

He Makes an Apparently Harmless Letter a Deadly Machine.

So expert are bombmakers nowadays that an apparently harmless letter may kill any person who tries to open it. A piece of cardboard is cut to a size which, when folded over, will fit into an ordinary envelope. The four corners of this are slit into narrow strips. Fulminate of mercury is spread over three of the slits, and the sheet is folded and fastened together. Projecting from each side of the folded sheet is a little metal strip, or detonator, glued to the cardboard in such a manner that the envelope cannot be opened without striking one of them. Upon meeting this slight resistance the hand moving the paper cutter instinctively pushes harder, and the result is an explosion that either kills or maims.

The easiest bomb to construct is set in operation by simply turning it upside down. It is usually a good sized cracker box, lined with paper and half filled with a mixture of chlorate of potassium and ordinary sugar. Into this a bottle of a powerful acid is introduced. The remainder of the space in the box is filled with scraps of metal. Then the lid is soldered on.

All that is then necessary is to place the box upside down at the spot in which it is to explode. The acid acts quickly through the cork of the bottle and comes in contact with the chlorate of potassium. As a result of the chemical combination which takes place there is a terrific explosion.

## THE ESPOUSAL.

Ancient Ceremony of the Mutual Promise of Marriage.

The first part of the matrimonial office was anciently termed the espousal, which took place some time prior to the actual celebration of marriage. These espousals consisted in a mutual promise of marriage, which was made by the man and woman before the bishop or presbyter and several witnesses.

After them the articles of agreement of marriage, called tabulo matrimoniale, which are mentioned by Augustine, were signed by both persons. After this the man delivered to the woman the ring and other gifts, an action which was termed subarration. In the latter ages the espousals have always been performed at the same time as the office of matrimony in all the churches abroad, and it has long been customary for the ring to be delivered to the woman after the contract has been made, which has always been in the actual office of matrimony.

The ring is a special token of spouseage. In some of the old manuals for the use of foreign cathedrals before the minister proceeds to the marriage he is directed to ask the woman's dowry—viz, the tokens of spouseage—and by these tokens of spouseage are to be understood rings or money or some other things to be given to the woman by the man, which giving is called wedding or covenanting, especially when it is done by the giving of a ring.

## Know Him at Once.

There are other sure ways of bringing a man to mind besides mentioning his name. Among the candidates who were sent from Princeton to a Philadelphia church was one young man whose language was of the sort which dazzles and delights the younger members of a congregation and sometimes pleases the elders as well. In this case the committee were besieged to ask for the young man again, and they consented, but unfortunately the man to whose lot it fell to write the letter had forgotten the candidate's name. Nothing daunted, he wrote to one of the seminary professors:

"Please send us that dower, streamlet, rivulet, cloudlet, starlight and moonbeam young man again. We've forgotten his name, but we've no doubt you'll recognise him."

"We do," wrote the professor. And the desired candidate was sent and subsequently was called to the parish.

## To Extract Essence From Flowers.

Procure a quantity of the petals of any flowers that smell sweet and fragrant. Take thin pieces of muslin or fine linen and after having dipped them in good Lucan oil or Florence oil place them as layers between the petals. Sprinkle a small quantity of fine salt on the flowers and put a layer of linen and a layer of flowers alternately until an earthen vessel or wide mouthed glass bottle is full. Tie the top over with oil silk or parchment, then lay the vessel in a south aspect in the heat of the sun, and in fifteen days, when uncovered, a fragrant oil may be squeezed away from the whole mass.

## Stage Dressmaking.

Our plays are for the most part over-dressed, with extravagance, vulgarity and inappropriateness obtaining in place of artistic fitness. The new costumes have to some extent frequently undone the results of undress rehearsals, the actresses no longer representing the drama as they did before the dressmaker sent home their gowns, while the variety of their impersonations is swamped by the uniformity of their fashions.—A. W. Pinero in Costume.

## Inconsistency.

"What is inconsistency?" asked the curious one.  
"Well," responded the wise one, "it is that spirit which moves a woman whose sleeves stop at the elbow to scold her husband because he hasn't any cuffs on."

Fortune gives many too much, but no one enough.—Laelius.

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